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●収録作品●
愛があればいーのだ②
My dear B·F

作品かいせつ

♥高校時代、同級生だった由輝と美津子は4年後、テレビのADと女優として再会した。由輝の頭の中は、美津子でいっぱいになるが美津子はつれない。そんな時、美津子がスキャンダルに巻き込まれ…。《完結》（『愛があればいーのだ』）

♥走ることが大好きだった陸上部の由美は、事故にあい走れなくなってしまった。そんな由美の前に、自分は〝犬〟だという男の子が現れた。（『My dear B・F』）

いくえみ綾の傑作コミックス

初恋ゴールの向こうがわ
女の子ラプソディー
ボクとあそぼうか！
夢をみた。
以心伝心のお月さん 全2巻
エンゲージ 全2巻
うたうたいのテーマ 全2巻
わたしは夢みる少女 全2巻
君たちはガラス 全2巻
天然バナナ工場
ＰＯＰＳ 全4巻
彼の手も声も 全4巻
ベイビーブルー
みつめていたい 全2巻
愛があればいーのだ 全2巻
I LOVE HER 全5巻
子供の庭 全2巻
君の歌がある 全3巻

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〈いままでのお話〉

バラエティ番組のADを務める由輝はある日、かつて心をよせていた同級生・美津子がタレントになっているのを知る。気になる日日を送る由輝だが、ドラマ部門への突然の異動で、何と女優・藤谷弥子（美津子）と再会!!

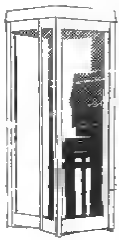
美津子に誘われ2人きりで会って以来、由輝の心は美津子でいっぱい。だが、美津子は由輝に恋愛感情は持っていない様子。おまけに由輝は、仕事中つい美津子を本名で呼びすてにしてしまい、美津子から冷たい視線を受け、ますます落ち込むはめに…。

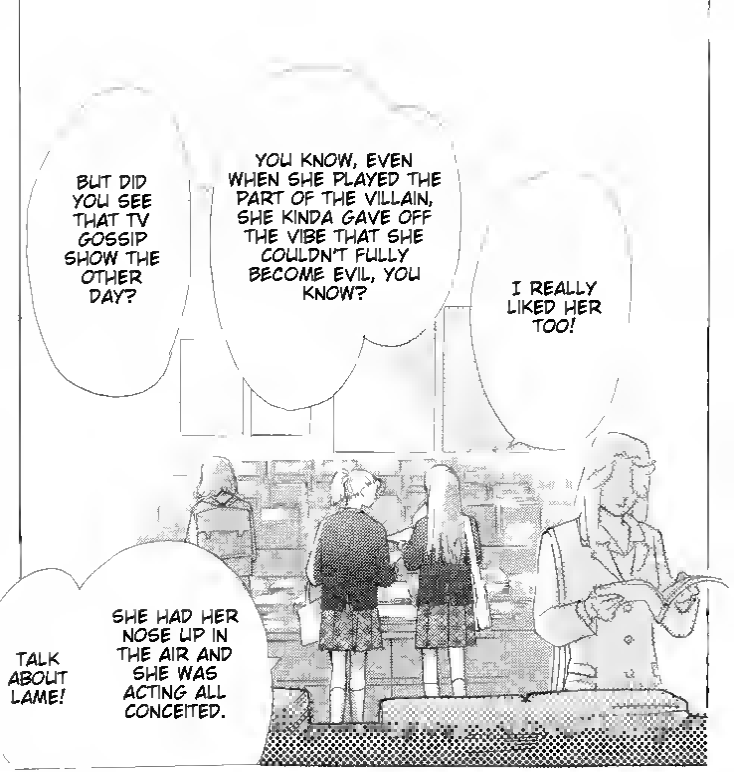
一方、何かと彼の気を引いてくる隣人・るみと由輝は深い関係になるが、そんな時、美津子のスキャンダルが発覚して…!?

♥くわしい物語は、
「愛があればいーのだ」①
（大好評発売中）でどうぞ!!

I'm Not a Lonely Girl (But You Need Love)
...
I WANT TO SEE HIM
---I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL, MICCHAN.
BUT I'M BEGGING YOU HERE, PLEASE END IT WITH THAT PRODUCER
THAT'S NOT
OH, AND DON'T GO OUT WITHOUT LETTING ME KNOW, ALL RIGHT? IF YOU NEED SOMETHING, I CAN GET IT FOR YOU, OKAY?
THAT'S NOT WHO I'M TALKING ABOUT...

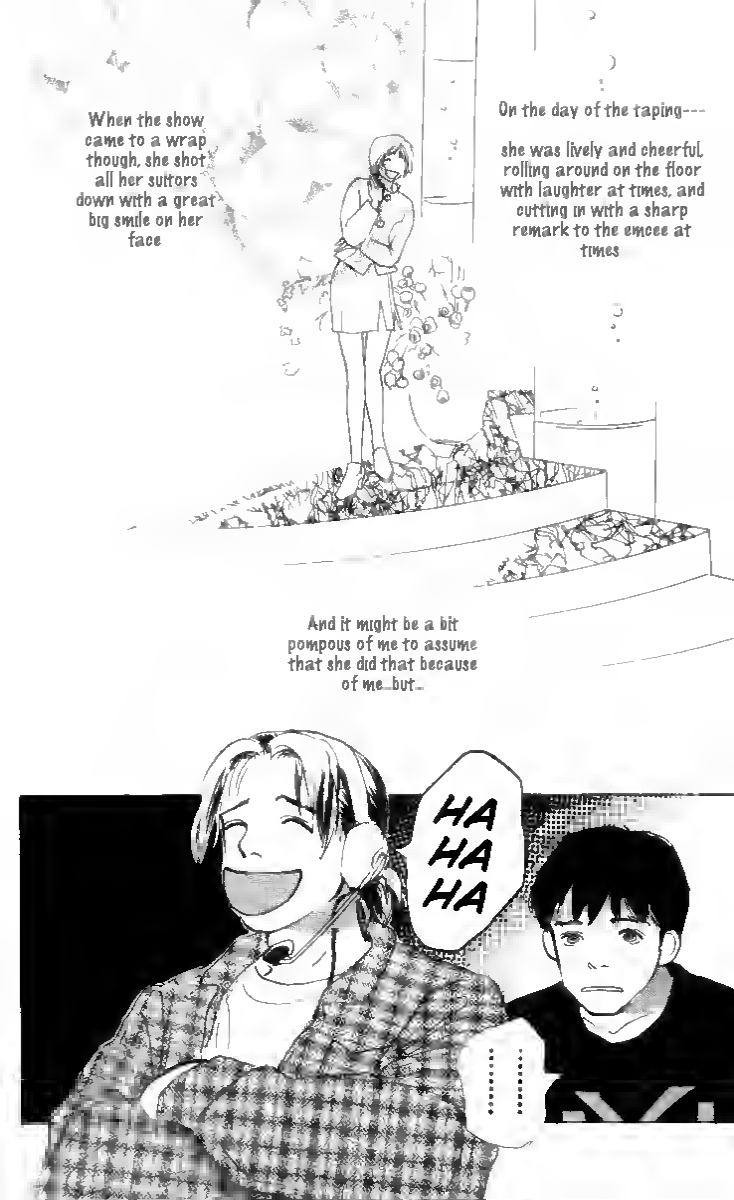
Aiqa Areba Inoda
Even after meeting many people
and loving and being loved,
in the end, she chooses to go back
to the 17 year old Mitsuko
to the 21 year old Mitsuko
All You Need is Love
②
IKUEMI RYO




BUT DID YOU SEE THAT TV GOSSIP SHOW THE OTHER DAY?
YOU KNOW, EVEN WHEN SHE PLAYED THE PART OF THE VILLAIN, SHE KINDA GAVE OFF THE VIBE THAT SHE COULDN'T FULLY BECOME EVIL, YOU KNOW?
I REALLY LIKED HER TOO!
TALK ABOUT LAME!
SHE HAD HER NOSE UP IN THE AIR AND SHE WAS ACTING ALL CONCEITED.

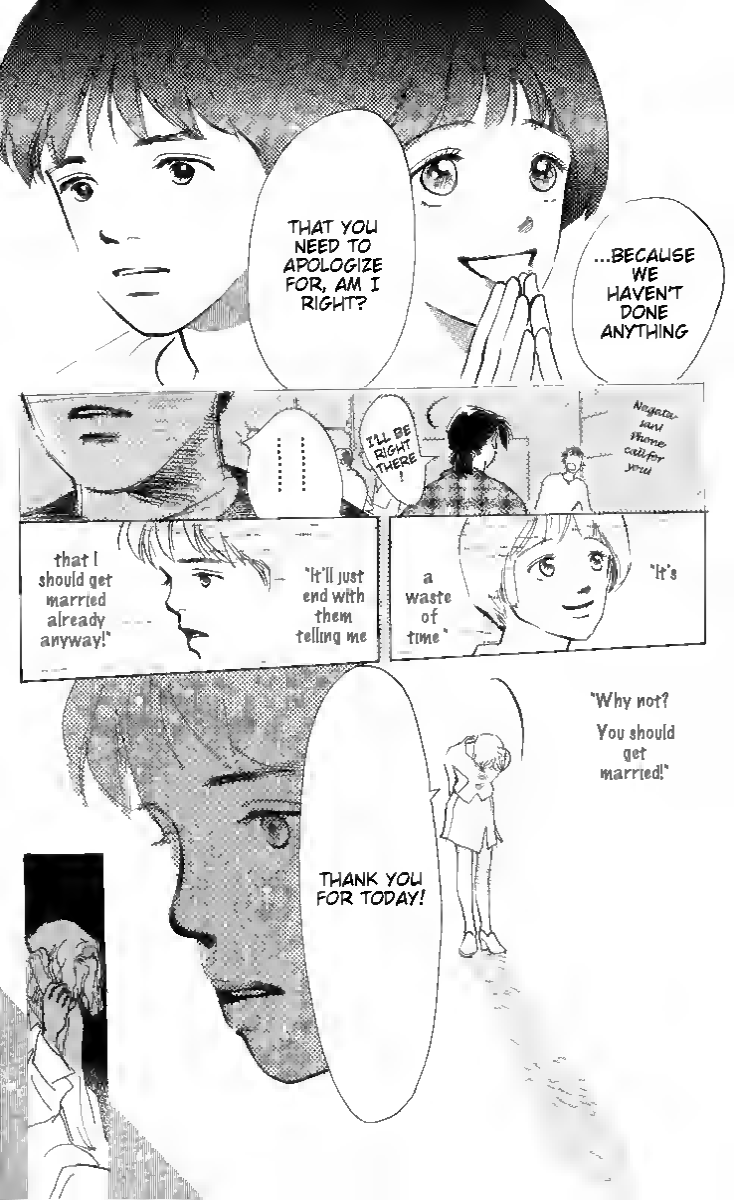
AT THIS TIME, THERE'S NO COMMENT FROM THE TALENT AGENCY--
THERE HAS BEEN THAT SHOCKING INCIDENT OF THE WIFE ATTEMPTING SUICIDE. DOES SHE---
IS THAT RIGHT?
THERE'S BEEN WORD THAT SHE'S PREPARING TO HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN THE NEAR FUTURE
Stop it
Please
Just stop

KNOCK KNOCK
SIGH?
Makeup Room
WELL THEN
ONCE YOU'RE READY,
PLEASE MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE STUDIO
CLATTER


On the day of the taping---
she was lively and cheerful, rolling around on the floor with laughter at times, and cutting in with a sharp remark to the emcee at times
When the show came to a wrap though, she shot all her suitors down with a great big smile on her face
And it might be a bit pompous of me to assume that she did that because of me...but...
HA HA HA
.....

UGGHH
THEY WERE A NICE BUNCH OF GUYS ALL FIVE OF 'EM
YOU HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT?!
MY EYES WERE ROTTING FROM JUST LOOKING AT THEM!
YOU HAVE THE WORST TASTE!
HEY NOW, HARSH WORDS FOR A GUY WHO DID HIS BEST DON'T YA THINK?
HAHA
ARE YOU TALKING TO ME?
EXCUSE ME?
ARE YOU BLIND OR WHAT?
AND THAT'S A WRAP!
MOISE
MOISE
MOISE
MOISE
OH
I-IT WAS REALLY ENTERTAINING!

PROMISE ME THAT THINGS WON'T BE AWKWARD BETWEEN US?
I'm so scared
HAHH
...CHUCKLES
YOCCHAN?
...what should I say?
BEING WITH YOU...
I REALLY ENJOY
CLINK
CLINK
HA HA HA
BUT I WON'T BE ABLE TO STAND IT IF YOU APOLOGIZE TO ME
I'M SOR--
if something happens, right?"
"you know you can rely on me

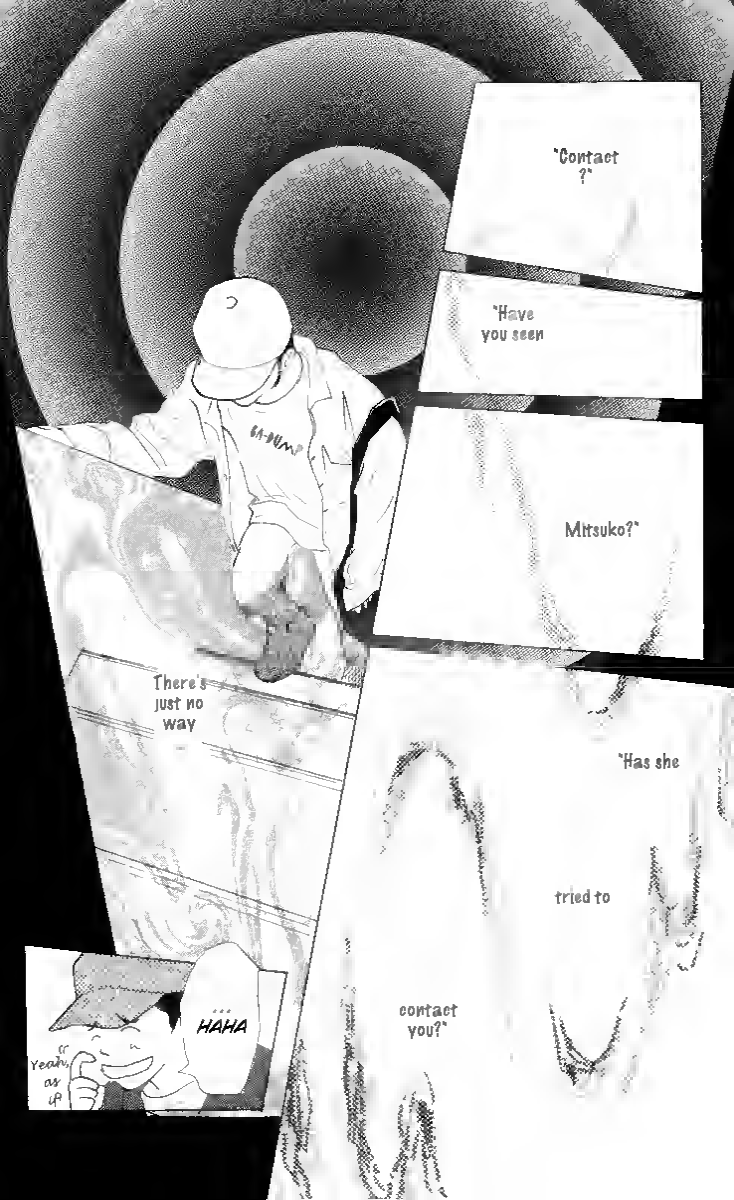

...BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING
THAT YOU NEED TO APOLOGIZE FOR, AM I RIGHT?
Nagata-san! Phone call for you!
I'LL BE RIGHT THERE!
.....
'It's a waste of time.'
'It'll just end with them telling me that I should get married already anyway!'
'Why not? You should get married!'
THANK YOU FOR TODAY!

Damnit
AND SO, WE STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN A COMMENT FROM MIZUTANI-SAN
OH, BUT---
...UGHHHHH SHUT UP!
I'm so stupid
I'm so stupid
PAT PIT PAT PIT PAT
...OH!
THEY'VE JUST BEEN TALKING CIRCLES DAY AND NIGHT. IT'S STARTING TO GET ON MY NERVES!
AH, HEY DON'T CHANGE THE CHANNEL!
Take that!
Take that!
Yo!
Wait, Shun, leave the room, you loser!
THERE YOU ARE!

HAVE YOU SEEN MITSUKO?
THUD!
pats
pulls
HUH...?
HAS SHE TRIED TO CONTACT YOU...?

WHAT DO YOU THINK ...
I'M CAPABLE OF ANYWAY
SWISH
WILL YOU JUST CUT IT OUT?
DASHES
What's with her? Ugghhh~ this is all starting to piss me off---- what is her problem
What? What is up with her?
like that...
Don't look at me
SWISH

SO WHAT,
MITSUKO-CHAN'S LIPPED AND DISAPPEARED?
Ah
I DON'T KNOW
No way
WHY DON'T YOU TRY GOING HOME?
.....
EXCUSE ME?
JUST GO STRAIGHT HOME, YOU HEAR ME?
DON'T STOP ANYWHERE ON THE WAY,
.....
WH
Y...?


"Contact ?"
"Have you seen
Mitsuko?"
GA-YUM
There's just no way
"Has she
tried to
contact you?"
...HAHA
Yeah, as if!

RUSTLE
There's just no way that....

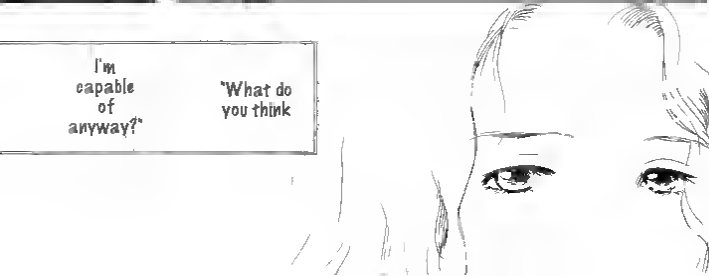
SWISH
PAT
PAT
WHY'VE
YOU GONE ALL WEAK IN THE KNEES?

.....
...LET ME IN.
OH HEY,
WE'RE WEARING MATCHING HATS!

LIKE SOMETHING TO DRINK?
WOULD YOU...
Why?

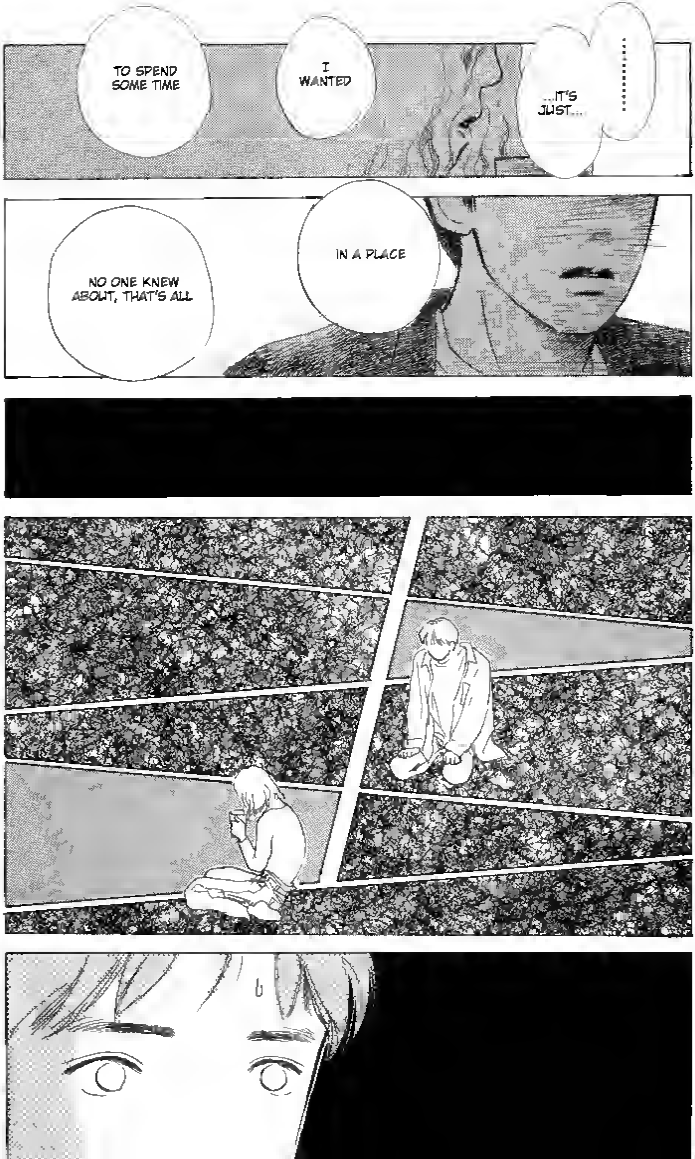
But why?
THUMP

Why?


I'm capable of anyway?"
"What do you think

COULD YOU
PUT SOME MILK INTO THE TEA...?
UH...
I DON'T WANT THIS.
PANTS
THERE'S NOT ENOUGH MILK
HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE THAT HAT ON?
What..."
"What
YOU

I'M AN ACTRESS, REMEMBER?
WHATEVER DO YOU MEAN?
YOUR MANAGER WAS SO WORRIED THAT SHE CAME TO SEE ME, YOU KNOW!
do you want me to do?!
RUSTLE
WHAT THE HELL'VE YOU BEEN UP TO?!
THE PLANS FOR MY NEW DRAMA HAVE BEEN SCRAPPED
EVEN THOUGH
ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
I MEAN, WHAT
---- THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!
NO WA

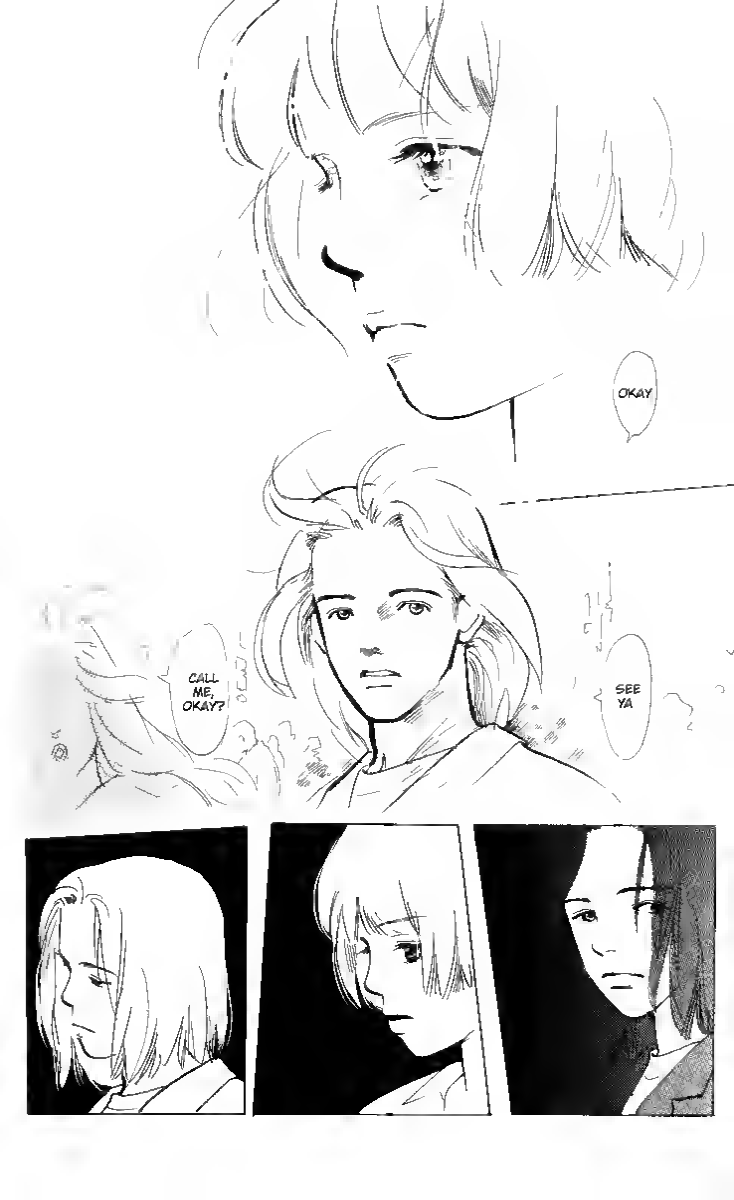

TO SPEND SOME TIME
I WANTED
...IT'S JUST....
.....
NO ONE KNEW ABOUT, THAT'S ALL
IN A PLACE

ALL THE TIME THAT YOU NEED HERE
YOU SPEND
WELL THEN...
CLICK
FEEL FREE TO TOUCH AND EAT WHATEVER YOU WANT IN HERE...
W--
SWISH
I DIDN'T WANT TO BE ALONE! THAT'S WHY---
DON'T GO!
CLATTER
CLATTER
WHY?!
THUD

I CAME HERE
Ahh...
!!
ROLLS
WH--
CLATTER
SCRUB
WHY ARE YOU WIPING IT WITH YOUR ARM?!
GEEZ~
.....
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU JUST DID THAT ~
WIPE WIPE
GIVE ME A BREAK ~
GEEZ
WHAK
WHAK
.....
I'M LEAVING.
JUST FORGET IT.

GOODBYE!
SQUEAK
...she's gotta be kidding me
VRMM
NNSL
NNSL

.....
YEAH, YEAH I GET YA
YOU'RE ALWAYS FULL OF LIES!
HAHAHA
WHEN CAN I SEE YOU NEXT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WELL...
VROOOM
TELL ME!
VROOOOM
I'M LEAVING IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING!
HONNKKK.....


OKAY
CALL ME, OKAY?
SEE YA

She's just
playing with me, is that it?
SLIP

!
THUD
.....
...WHAT WAS THAT FO--
.....
...YOU HAVING FUN?
YOU'RE HAVING FUN
PLAYING ME LIKE THIS,
AREN'T YOU?

WELL THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME!
NO---
YOU'RE HAPPY HAVING THEM SHOWER YOU WITH ATTENTION, AREN'T YOU?
IT MUST BE SO GREAT TO HAVE PEOPLE LISTEN TO WHATEVER YOU TELL 'EM, IS THAT IT?
YOU GOT PRETTIER AND YOU STARTED GETTING MORE FAMOUS
WELL WOOPDIE DOO, GOOD FOR YOU
SO, I HEARD YOU THREW AWAY YOUR PAST, HUH?
NO THAT'S NOT
STINK
PLAYING UP THIS DRAMA SHIT IN FRONT OF ME ANYWAY
WHAT
DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING TO ACCOMPLISH

NO...!
WHAT'RE YOU RUNNING AWAY FOR?!
CLATTER
YOU CAME HERE TO RELAX, RIGHT?
WORK TO GET TO
I HAVE
.....
GET OUT OF THE WAY!
WELL FUCK THAT.
YOU'RE THE ONE THAT CAME HERE
I SAID GET OUT OF THE WAY!
SWISH
THUMP

...WELL, I'M SAYING NO.
sick and tired
I've gotten
of hearing your "goodbyes"

...FINE THEN.
I'M GOING TO TELL THEM THAT THE REASON I HAD TO MISS WORK WAS BECAUSE YOU LOCKED ME IN HERE---YOU HEAR ME?!
I've had enough
THUD
I'LL STAY HERE,
BUT LET ME JUST MAKE IT CLEAR THAT I TRIED TO LEAVE!
I HAVE A POLICY THOUGH OF NOT EATING AFTER 9 SO JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!
DON'T WORRY, I WON'T GIVE YOU ANYTHING
And besides,
there's only enough for me.
RUMBLE
FOR WHATEVER YOU---
GO RIGHT AHEAD! YOU JUST GO ON AND BLAME ME
BUT THAT RUMBLE JUST NOW DIDN'T COME FROM ME
IT CAME FROM ME!

RUSTLE
SWISH
PAT
PAT
I'M GOING TO SLEEP
SIL--ENCE
.....
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
...H...
RUMBLE
IT REEKS

FUJII...
DERA ?
HIC
RUMBLE

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Just a small note to say thank you SOOOOOO much for your support wilst we've been getting our group up and running :) We really appreciate all your hard work and patience with us. :D
Thank you!
Lat & Hira :)

Shuri
Hira
Lat
LAT: HEY GUYS... WE REALLY NEED STAFF
HIRA: WE KNOW THAT
SHURI: YOU SHOULD ASK PEOPLE
LAT: BUT GUYS... *WHINES* I HAVE. I CAN'T JUST MAKE PEOPLE JOIN.
SHURI & HIRA: THEN BEG THEM
LAT: LIKE THIS...
"PLEEAAASSSEEE JOIN PRS"

Pink
Rose
Scans
Needs
you!

Fujiidera
HA
HA
HA
OH YEAH
GIGGLES AND ---
HEY
MIZUTANI-KUN---
YEAH ?
GIGGLES
I can't believe you!
ISN'T IT A CHORE TO KEEP CALLING ME "MIZUTANI-KUN"?
YOU'RE SO FUNNY!
HA HA HA
GIGGLES
JUST "YOSHIKI"S FINE
.....

I never got
the chance to call her that now that I think about it
"MITSUKO"

Even after that pretty boy Sakaguchi

I didn't change the way I called her

started calling her that

It was the same for her too

She only ever called me Mizutani kun

I thought she was still crying...

she's not moving anymore...

...oh

CHIRP
CHIRP
.....
RUELTS
IT'S MORNING ALREADY
When'd that happen?
NO WAY...
N--
CHIRP
CHIRP
.....

Ughhhhhhhh
talk about lame...
HA...
THUMP
CHIP CHIP
RUSTLE
SWIFF
Maybe it was all just a dream...
KCHOO!
Huh...?
GRABS
Well aren't you the sound sleeper
GOODBYE!

T/N: All the small text in the right is pretty illegible in Japanese too — all of the note is on the next page

I don't even know the reason why I came here

When I'd realized it, I had cut my hair and was in a taxi heading over here (I got your address from Nagata-san)

Just like the tabloids have been gossiping, I was having an affair with a married man

The guy I was involved with was a dirty old man

I didn't like him at all

Everything's been so hectic because it looks like his wife's life is balancing on a thin thread

I gave my all to this industry

Even now, I'm trying my hardest

I told you that I was going to say goodbye to my former self because I thought no one would like me if I stayed my former gloomy self

I pushed myself, too much at times I think

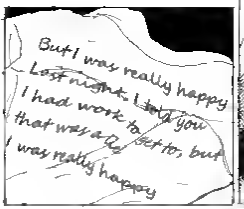
To me, you were someone of my past

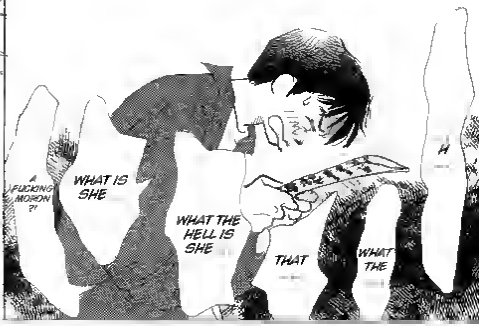
To be honest, I'd already begun to forget about you

There were just too many things going on in my life, both good and bad

When I see you,
I feel as if someone's telling me
what a dirty, ugly lie-filled
woman I've become,
and it's hard---more so than you
could ever know
That's why I hate you
Goodbye. I won't see you ever
again.

5AM Mitsuko





I was really happy
that you stopped me from
leaving.
I felt happy like that time
you said I'd look cuter
if I pulled my hair back

Yoshiki, I

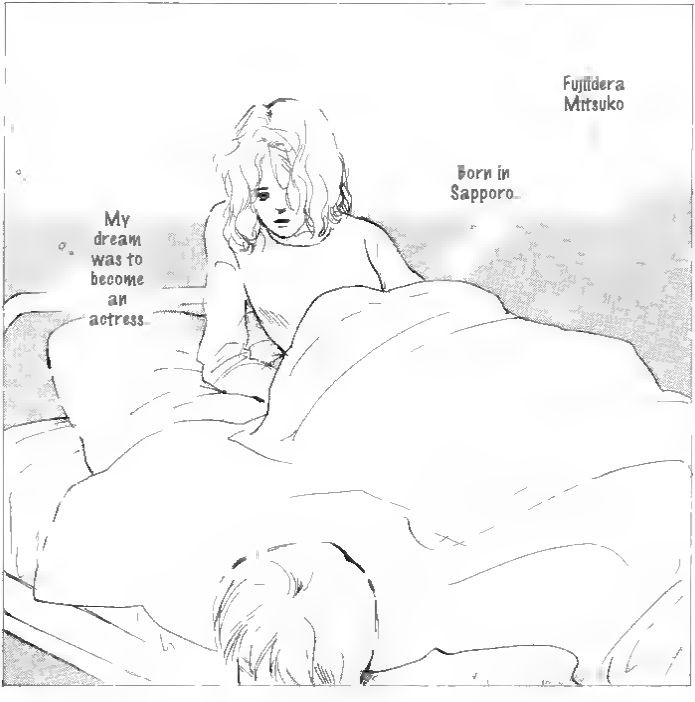
YOU WHAT ...?!
SWISH
OUCH

What was the end of that sentence
?!
ROLLS
SLAM
WHERE WERE YOU UP UNTIL NOW?
I TRULY AM---
I'M SORRY...TO HAVE WORRIED ALL OF YOU SO MUCH
I WAS--- AT MY HOUSE THE ENTIRE TIME
AT HOME

RIGHT NOW,
I JUST FEEL SO SORRY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I'VE CAUSED HIS WIFE AND HIS FAMILY
DID SHE DIE?
NAH, IT WAS A CLOSE CALL THOUGH
I HEARD SHE WAS SUFFERING FROM DEPRESSION WAY BEFORE THIS THOUGH
HUH
DON'T YOU THINK SHE'S PLAYING UP THE PRESS A BIT TOO MUCH?
HOW OLD IS SHE AGAIN?
I BET SHE'S ACTING!
WHOA, WHAT WAS THAT?!
SOMETHING CAME FLYING AT ME JUST NOW!
I CRIED NIAGARA FALLS WATCHING HER ON TV!
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO QUICK TO CRY!
NOISE
NOISE
all the time we have

HA HA HA
What are you, a turd
'cause like, have you heard
AHAHAHAH
Ugghhh shut up
FOR THE OTHER HALF OF THAT SENTENCE
...I HAVE TO GO AND ASK
sorry there's just one more car
Mover

Yoshiki, 1

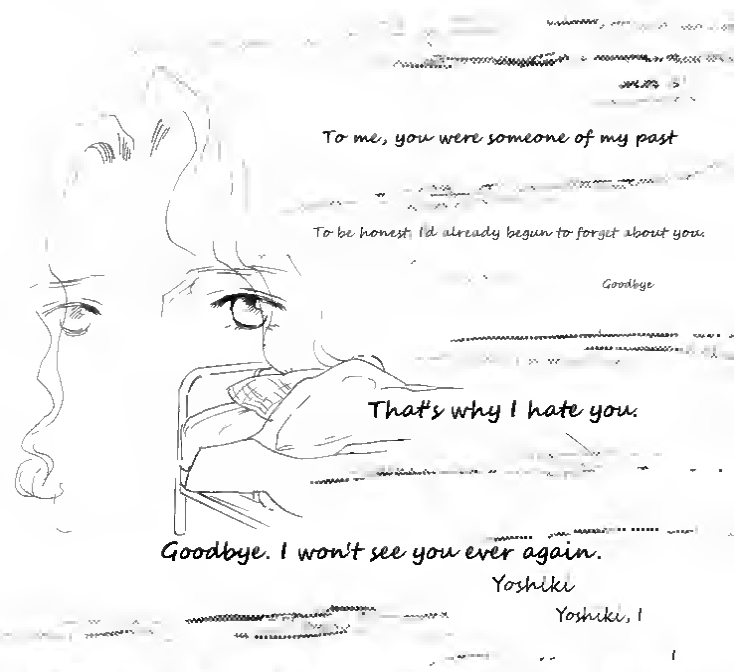

Fujiidera Mitsuko
Born in Sapporo...
My dream was to become an actress...

That...
SLAM
CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
was my dream
202
DASHES
202
What a nice day!
STEEL
32

OH, YOSHIDA-SAN?
OH Ya
SHE MOVED
AROUND THREE DAYS AGO, I THINK?
CHIRP CHIRP
SPLASH
I HAVE NO IDEA WHERE SHE WENT...
SLIDE
EELERS
32

THREE WHOLE DAYS
THREE DAYS.
AND I DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE EVEN THOUGH I LIVED RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO HER.
I FEEL LIKE SUCH AN IDIOT.
EVEN THOUGH WE LIVED NEXT DOOR, I NEVER REALLY GOT TO KNOW HER THAT MUCH--
NOW THAT I LOOK BACK ON IT, I WASN'T ABLE TO DO ANYTHING FOR...
SHUT IT
I THOUGHT I WOULD BE ABLE TO DO MORE FOR HER THAN I ACTUALLY DID...
AND I'VE GOT THIS FEELING LIKE I'M NEVER GONNA SEE HER AGAIN, YOU KNOW?
Ugh, I'm such a moron.
click

I MEANT YOUR MOUTH
NO,
SI
SILENCE
SWISH SWISH SWISH
NO I DON'T.
ARE YOU REALLY READING THEM OVER BEFORE YOU THROW 'EM OUT?
I--
I AM! WHAT? DON'T YOU TRUST ME?
YOUR MIND'S ONLY ON MITSUKO.
SHE PROBABLY GOT SICK AND TIRED OF THAT AND LEFT---
Haha... poor girl

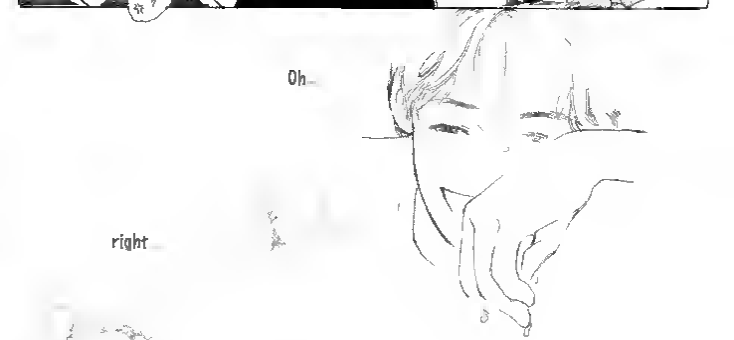

To me, you were someone of my past
To be honest, I'd already begun to forget about you.
Goodbye
That's why I hate you.
Goodbye. I won't see you ever again.
Yoshiki
Yoshiki, I

The AD perhaps?
CAN SOMEONE FILL IN FOR HIM?
WELL THAT'S GOING TO BE A PROBLEM
OH, SO NAKATA'S A NO-SHOW TODAY?
THUMP

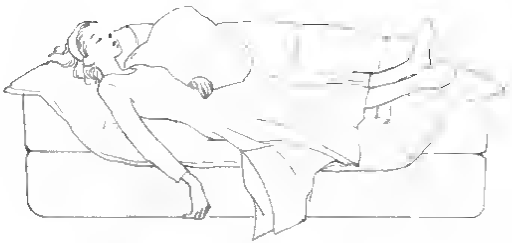
Hey! That'll be my subtitle voice-blow by!
DON'T FORGET TO SHOW IN THE SUBTITLES
THAT I'M AD MIZUTANI, YOSHIKI!
I'll make sure you watches this!

HUH, I HAVE TO WEAR THIS?
YEAH, YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU?
AS A RACOON
AS A RACOON DOG?
AND MAKE SURE TO GET YOUR FACE PAINTED

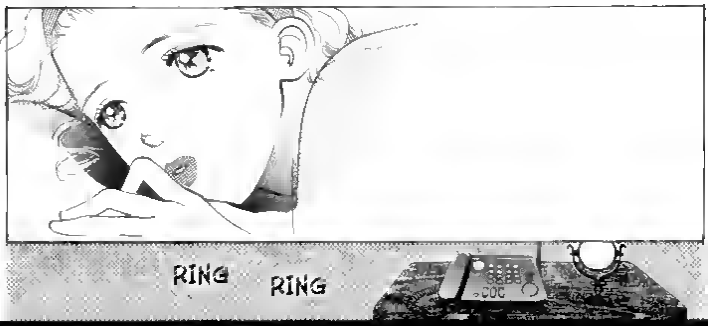
what the fuck ?
SNICKERS
YA BETCHA
I'M A RASCAL.


Oh...
right...

was able to become an actress...



RING RING



There's no way in hell I'm putting out an album cause I can't sing for crap, my life is ruined
RING RING
Maybe this is the equivalent
of seeing a teen idol with hair on her legs?
CHUCKLES
RING RING
THUD
Just one whiff of a scandal and they cancelled all my commercials and dramas
Forget singing

Geez...
what a mess!
Oh!
That'll be the last time I'll let them step one foot into my home!
CLANK
CLANK
How many people were over here anyhow?
I can't believe them! And they call themselves my friends? Would it have killed them to clean up after themselves?
.....
Well...
It's not like I'm THAT much of a slob about it...
I wonder how many people came because they actually cared about me though?
CLANK
.....
But everyone was trying to cheer me up...
I am though...

CLICK
THUMP
HAHAHA
AD: Mizutani Yoshiki
COUGH
.....
Hah
maybe this is the part
that made that guy call me a "downer" once upon a time?

SIGH
I made my dream come true
I CAME HERE TO SEE YOU
MITSUKO'S NOT HERE IF THAT'S WHO YOU'RE LOOKING FOR.
WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
Kiyo Pro.
ME?
COULD YOU PLEASE GIVE ME MITSUKO'S ADDRESS?
OR PHONE NUMBER, WHICHEVER ONE'S FINE
.....

DID SHE TELL YOU WHERE SHE WENT THAT DAY SHE WENT MISSING?
CHUCKLES
...YOU HONESTLY THINK I'M GOING TO TELL YOU?
I KNOW WHERE SHE WENT
SHE WENT TO HER FRIEND'S---
THAT'S A LIE
DON'T
TELL ME
YOU
THAT'S RIGHT.
I THREATENED HER INTO STAYING.
OKAY? SO GIVE ME HER ADDRESS.
SHE STAYED OVER
AT MY PLACE.

SAKURAI-SAN
I KNOW THAT YOU'D NEVER SELL HER OUT---
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!
HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HER?
THAT'S JUST THE THING. SINCE LAST NIGHT, I HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN ABLE TO GET AHOLD OF HER ANSWERING MESSAGE---
I'M GOING TO HEAD THERE RIGHT NOW
WHISPERS
SOUNDS GOOD
WHO'S HE?
A FAN OF MITSUKO'S
I'LL LEAVE THE REST UP TO YOU.
HEY.
THERE'S NO ONE HERE TODAY.

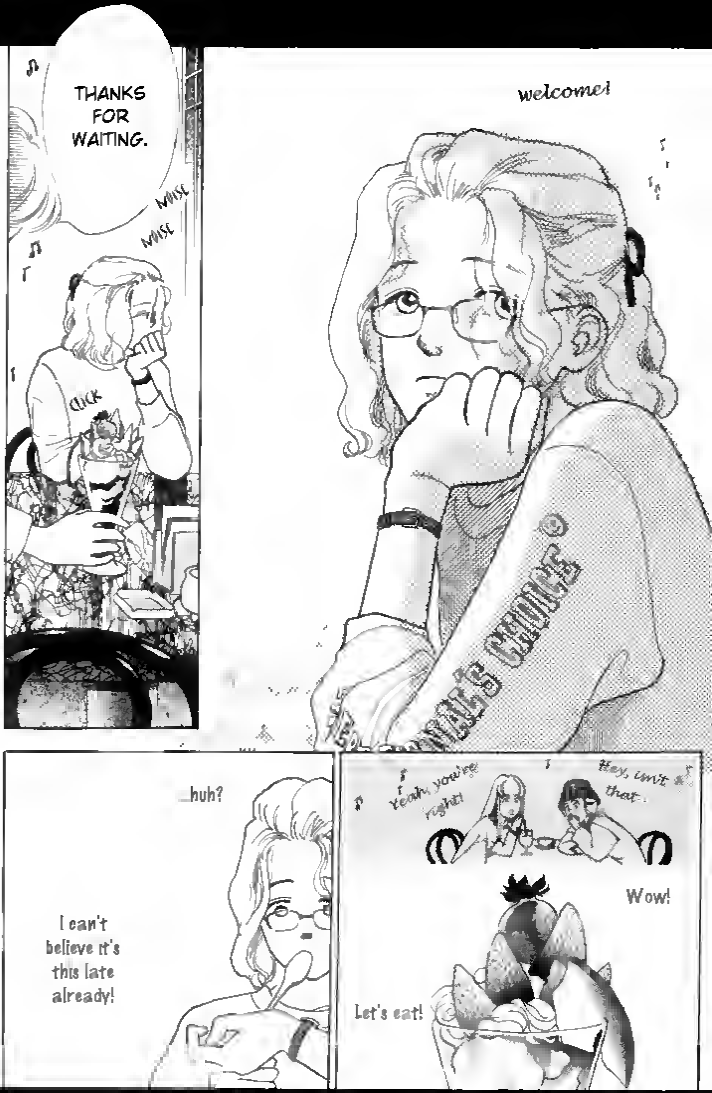
THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT
BUT GO HOME FOR TODAY ALL RIGHT?
IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO GIVE HER----
HEY!
COME ON NOW, LEAVE!
AH...
SWISH
JUST GO!

WHAT WOULD YOU ALL KNOW ANYWAY?!
Click
Mizutani-kun
LET ME G--
Come on now, cut it out.
Stop! Or we're calling the cops!
T--
TAKE ME WITH YOU, YOU BITCH!

AGH...

DON'T TOU--
GET IN!

swish
COUGH
HAWS
SL AM
/ SIGH OF RELIEF
VROOM
...WHERE'S MY THANKS?

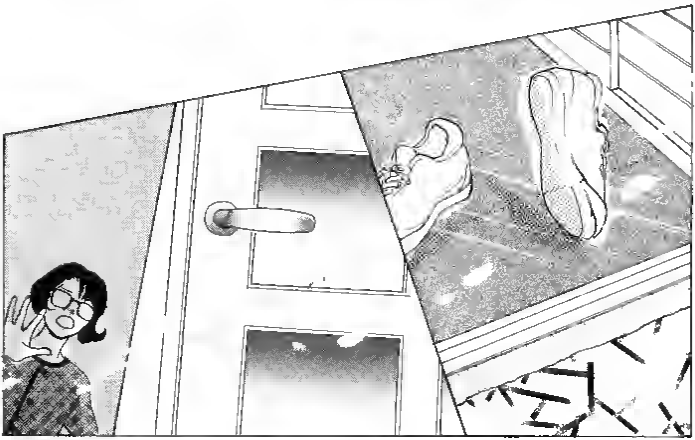

THANKS FOR WAITING.
MUNCH MUNCH
CLICK
welcome!
...huh?
I can't believe it's this late already!
Yeah, you're right!
Hey, isn't that...
Wow!
Let's eat!

UM---
I wanted to go shopping
Now that I think about it,
didn't she tell me to stay at home because she was going to call me?
She's gonna be pissed~~
I better eat as quickly as I can and head straight home
Pink Stones
But
I ended up buying wayyyy too much though
BUT WOULD IT BE ALL RIGHT IF WE TOOK YOUR PHOTO?
EXCUSE ME...
UM,
Where'd that camera pop out of?
We're cheering for you
Thank you
Tell me---do you always walk around with a camera?
SMILE
CLICK
CLICK

Think about my position here!
WHAT IS SHE TO THINK IF SHE OPENS UP THE DOOR AND SEE THAT I BROUGHT YOU HERE?
...WHAT DO YOU MEAN WHAT AM I GOING TO DO? I CAME HERE TO SEE HER
DING DONG DING DONG
CLICK CLICK
SHE'S NOT ANSWERING
BUT YOU ALREADY HAVE
It makes no difference whether I'm waiting in the car or not
DON'T COME IN, YOU HEAR ME?
SLAM
WOOF WOOF
SLAM
AH!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!
I TOLD YOU TO WAIT IN THE CAR!
TRAILS AFTER
WHATTT-- C'MON, LET ME COME TOO
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO IF SHE'S HOME?!

I FEEL LIKE SUCH AN IDIOT.
HEHE
WHF
WHF
WOOF
WOOF
I'M SUCH A FOOL
CLICK
...SHE'S NOT HERE.

CLATTER



MITSUKO.

IF I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE IN HELL,
JUST SAY THE WORD,
AND I'LL GIVE UP.

...WHO IS IT
THAT YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH?

YOU'RE NOT JUST STILL HOLDING ONTO THE FANTASY OF MY FORMER SELF?
ARE YOU SURE
"When you smile,
DING
DONG
.....
DING
DONG

CLATTER
.....

CLATTER
THE LIGHT'S RUN OUT OF JUICE
SEE YA

SEE YA.

FUJITANI
MITSUKO
SA---NNN!
Wowww!
MITSUKO---!

Good evening! Right this way!
HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR HAIRSTYLE RECENTLY?
AH, YES. I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO SWITCH IT UP A BIT--
I HOPE YOU DON'T MEAN ANYTHING NEGATIVE BY ASKING?
HA HA HA
He's
me
While I was taking some time off
I met with my friends
and watched tons of movies
He's the school uniform wearing
other half of myself

but amidst the navy blue of our school uniforms...
He wasn't a friend, a lover, or a stranger
and made me prettier
He's the one who found me
IT GIVES ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE MORE LIVES THAN I COULD EVER DREAM OF LIVING...
WELL YES
WHEN IT COMES RIGHT DOWN TO IT, ACTING IS WHAT I'M PASSIONATE ABOUT.
beautiful eyes
he had such
AND

IS IT TRUE
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THAT RIGHT BEFORE THE PRESS CONFERENCE ABOUT HER AFFAIR..
I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING TO THROW UP
WHOLL
SHE HAD AN ABORTION?
NOISE

MITSUKO-CHAN?

LET'S TAKE 5!
NOISE

Once my dream came true,

it wasn't a dream any longer

-BEEP
MIZUTANI? IT'S ME.
I SAW YOU WEARING THAT WEIRD ANIMAL COSTUME!
ME AND HAMA-CHAN AND A COUPLE OF OTHER GUYS ARE HEADING OVER THERE SOON,
SO IF YOU'RE FREE, LET'S HANG OUT WELL, SEE YA
1 2 3
4 5 6

IT'S ME, MOM
WHAT ARE YOU DOING WEARING THAT STRANGE OUTFIT AND BEING HIT OVER THE HEAD WITH A SLIPPER?
I TOLD YOU TO CALL US ONCE IN A WHILE!
YOSHIKI----
YOSHIKI, I'VE GOT SOMETHING I THINK YOU'LL LIKE----
I am in grade 10
I watch your show every
The raccoon cos
AD Mizutani-kun
He's very cute
Next t,
IT'S A FAN LETTER!
AHAHAHAHAH
Let's Partake with TRUE Fourth Dimensional!
...THE POWER OF TELEVISION, HUH...?
TAKES A GOOD LOOK AT IT
DOO-P

STUDIO 6 TODAY
WE'RE IN
SEE THIS?!
YEAH YEAH, CONGRATULATIONS GOOD FOR YOU
I'm happy for you, really!
I LIVE FOR MY JOB, YESIREE!
THE RASCAL'S LIGHTS'VE RUN OUT OF JUICE!
WELL THEN RASCAL, I'LL LEAVE NEXT MONTH'S RECORDING UP TO YOU.
SO YOU BETTER BRING YOUR A-GAME

SPLASH

I seriously thought I was going to bring up the contents of my breakfast in front of all those people
Well that took me by surprise.
Maybe I should go and buy some flowers?
ROLL
ROLL

YOU WENT SHOPPING AGAIN?
WELL I DON'T MIND AS LONG AS YOU'RE HAPPY, BUT----
MY! WHAT CUTE PYJAMAS!
.....
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
OH AND THESE ARE SO CUTE TOO

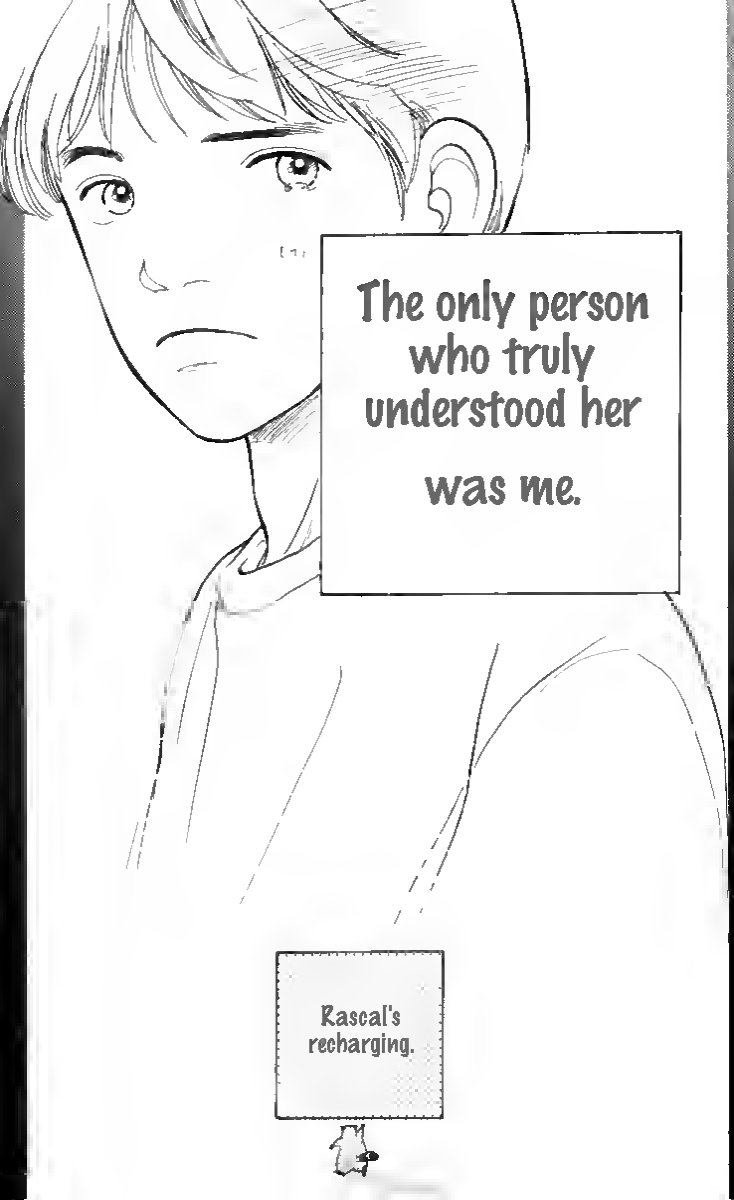
ARE YOU PLANNING ON STARTING A PYJAMA STORE?

.....
CLICK
Mizutani
SWEEP SWEEP
SWEEP SWEEP
CLICK
THUD
...RUMI-SAN?

...
AH.
THUMP
UU
...What
is he still doing here
in the middle of the afternoon?

"The lights've
"run out of juice."
"See ya."
"See ya."
THEY'RE PYJAMAS
SINCE I
GRAFFITIED YOUR OTHER ONE, I THOUGHT

DON'T GIVE UP ON ME...
She
was someone whose very presence drew your eyes to her---
but as it turns out, I'm the only one who thought that
My friends were all mostly into girls that got chosen as Miss whatchamacallit during school festivals


The only person who truly understood her was me.
Rascal's recharging.

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Pink
Rose
Scans
Needs
you!

Shuri
Hira
Lat
LAT: HEY GUYS... WE REALLY NEED STAFF
HIRA: WE KNOW THAT
SHURI: YOU SHOULD ASK PEOPLE
LAT: BUT GUYS... *WHINES* I HAVE. I CAN'T JUST MAKE PEOPLE JOIN.
SHURI & HIRA: THEN BEG THEM
LAT: LIKE THIS...
"PLEEAAASSSEEE JOIN PRS"

RATTLE
RATTLE
Mizutani
Motoji

HEY, YOSHIKI'S MOM!
LONG TIME NO SEE!
YOU'VE GROWN SO MUCH SINCE THE LAST TIME I SAW YOU!
MY!
HARU-CHAN! HARU-CHAN!
CLICK
HA HA HA
I'M SKINNY AS A MODEL NOW, RIGHT?
AND YOU'VE GOTTEN THINNER, I SEE!
HE DOESN'T LIKE TALKING ON THE PHONE, SO I BET HE DOESN'T CALL YOU VERY OFTEN?
THAT'S RIGHT!
I'VE BEEN TELLING HIM TO CALL ME BUT DOES HE EVER LISTEN? NO!
OH, I'M HEADING TO TOKYO FOR A BIT OF A VACATION SOON
I'M PLANNING ON SEEING YOSHIKI THEN
OH, IS THAT RIGHT?
I'LL GIVE HIM AN EARFUL WHEN I GO THERE FOR YOU
YES, YOU GO AND DO THAT!
And he turns with them!

OH AND COULD YOU TELL HIM
THAT HE SHOULD COME HOME ONCE IN A WHILE,
WON'T YOU?

my mind
In

"Don't give up on me!"
I was pumping my fists like you wouldn't believe.

CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
I
things could turn out so well like this...
I never thought

I guess that's what you get for always living frugally
...I'm not used to being this happy
but I'm worried things might take a bad turn later on.
BACK IN HIGH SCHOOL
NEVER THOUGHT OF YOU IN A ROMANTIC LIGHT
IT'S JUST
AN ANGEL OF SORTS.
YOU WERE LIKE A GOD,
TO ME,

NEVER HEARD OF IT
WHAT?
"GRADUATION PHOTOS" OR WHATEVER THE SONG'S CALLED
AS LISTENING TO YUMIN'S "GRADUATION PHOTOS" SONG
DO I STILL LOOK LIKE AN ANGEL TO YOU?
Even then
HAVEN'T SHAVED YET TODAY
I
CHUCKLES
I DON'T KNOW WHY
BUT IT GOT ME IN THE SAME MOOD
No,
that's you
...NO WAY, YOU DON'T KNOW THAT SONG? BUT IT'S SO FAMOUS
FLASH
flinch

* famous graduation song in Japan

chirp
chirp
flash
flash
A "BIRDS FANATIC"
IT'S JUST
NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT
AH, NO IT'S NOTHING SORRY TO CALL YOU UP SO EARLY
YOU HAVE TO GET TO WORK SOON, RIGHT?
WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU'RE NOT FEELING SO HOT?
WELL, BYE THEN
W--
YEAH,
I BETTER GO BACK TO HOME
WILL WE BE ABLE TO MEET UP AGAIN?

I lied! I do know the song.
HUHS
202
SURE
Being swept away by the crowd...
clank
clank
202
KNOCK
Me? An angel? Yeah right...
BA-DUMP!
CREAKK

CHIRP
CHIRP
STUSSY
KING
SIZE
CRUNK
I'm worried
CREAK
things might take a bad turn later on
SPLASH

RUMI-SAN ?
Ring Ring
YES, PRODUCTION 2---
OH~
IS THAT YOU, YOSHIKI? WHAT ARE YOU---

DON'T TELL ME YOU FORGOT ABOUT WORK?! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING, MORON?!
.....
... OKAY.
I GOT IT, BUT COME AS SOON AS YOU CAN
NO, SHE DOESN'T.
SHE PROBABLY HAS RELATIVES OR FRIENDS WHO CAN STAY WITH HER, RIGHT?
OKAY THEN, I'LL SEND SOME PART TIMER TO STAY BY HER SIDE.
YOU'RE GOING TO BE RECORDING REMEMBRANCE.....
THERE'S NO POINT IN SOME PERSON SHE'S NEVER EVEN MET BEFORE IN HER LIFE COMING HERE!
.....

THEN "I"'LL GO!
CLANK
Dr.
Please head to the Nurse's Station
YOU SHOULD GO
I SAID NO!
WHY DO YOU THINK I CAME HERE IN THE FIR--
DON'T BE A HARD CASE!
I DON'T WANT TO
.....

COME ON IN
CLICK
THUD
CLATTER
YOU'RE ALIVE

I GUESS OLD HABITS DIE HARD!
I'm much more refined!
IT'S ALL COMING BACK TO ME NOW! I WENT TO THE WRONG HOUSE YESTERDAY
OH!
WHAT'S WRONG?
She's alive
YOCCHA ~~~
Blinks
WHAT DO YOU MEAN WHAT'S WRONG...?
BECAUSE I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET ANY DECENT SLEEP LATELY...
from the pharmacy
HMM?HMM? ...OH YEAH, THE ONES THAT GIRL FROM THE PHARMACY GAVE ME...
AND THE DOOR WAS UNLOCKED
AHAHAA
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO STOMACH EVEN THE MILDEST OF COLD PILLS!
EVER SINCE I WAS A KID,
OH RIGHT, RIGHT!
YOU TOOK SOME PILLS, DIDN'T YOU?!

Crossed Senses
Hey, he dropped dead!
.....
SCRATCH
Geeeezzz~
SO YOU WEREN'T TRYING TO KILL YOURSELF?
HEY GET UP!
NO, NOT AT ALL!
IT WASN'T A LETHAL DOSE TO BEGIN WITH,
BUT YOU SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL!
Kumi-san
DO YOU WANT ME TO GET YOU ANYTHING?
Kumi-san
SOME ORANGE JUICE WOULD BE GREAT!
MY THROAT'S LIKE A DESERT!
OH, 100% FRESHLY SQUEEZED ONLY PLEASE!

I'M SORRY
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ANYWAY?
Lie down
HEY?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW?!
SLAM
THAT I LEFT WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING

.....
I'M DEAD SERIOUS.
OH, AND JUST SO WE'RE CLEAR ON THIS MATTER, I WASN'T THAT SERIOUS ABOUT YOU
CHUCKLES
SEEING AS HOW WE HAVE A NINE YEAR AGE GAP AND ALL
YOU DON'T MAKE MUCH MONEY
.....
AND YOU ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE ELSE THAT YOU LIKE AND BESIDES, YOU REMIND ME OF THAT GHOST FROM THE CARTOONS
EVEN IF I FELL FOR YOU THOUGH,
up you go
NOTHING WOULD HAVE COME OUT OF IT

AND I'VE COME TO BE OF AN AGE
WHERE I WANT TO BE IN A HAPPY MARRIAGE...
Click
THEN WHY NOT MARRY ME?
HE'S A WOMANIZER AND A BIG FAT LIAR! HE'LL ONLY BE TROUBLE!
HAHAHA
AND SORRY TO WORRY YOU---
THANKS
SPLONK
Let's go! Let's go!

I'M
SORRY
and then she disappeared again
got discharged the very next day.
Rumi-san
"you're the type...to supply a guy financially little by little"
"It was on sale so I ended up buying it!"
until it started getting holes in it.
I honestly thought of wearing that t-shirt

Just juggling my feelings alone
thud
AT THIS RATE, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET ANYTHING DONE!
WHAT'S WRONG?
MICCHAN!
AGAIN?
ARE YOU SUFFERING FROM SOME KIND OF ILLNESS?
that I had little room for anything else
was itself a full time job,
MITSUKO
I'M FINE REALLY
I'M SORRY, I DON'T KNOW WHY I GET LIKE THIS
IT'S JUST WHEN I THINK THAT I HAVE TO WORK,
I SUDDENLY GET THIS URGE TO THROW UP

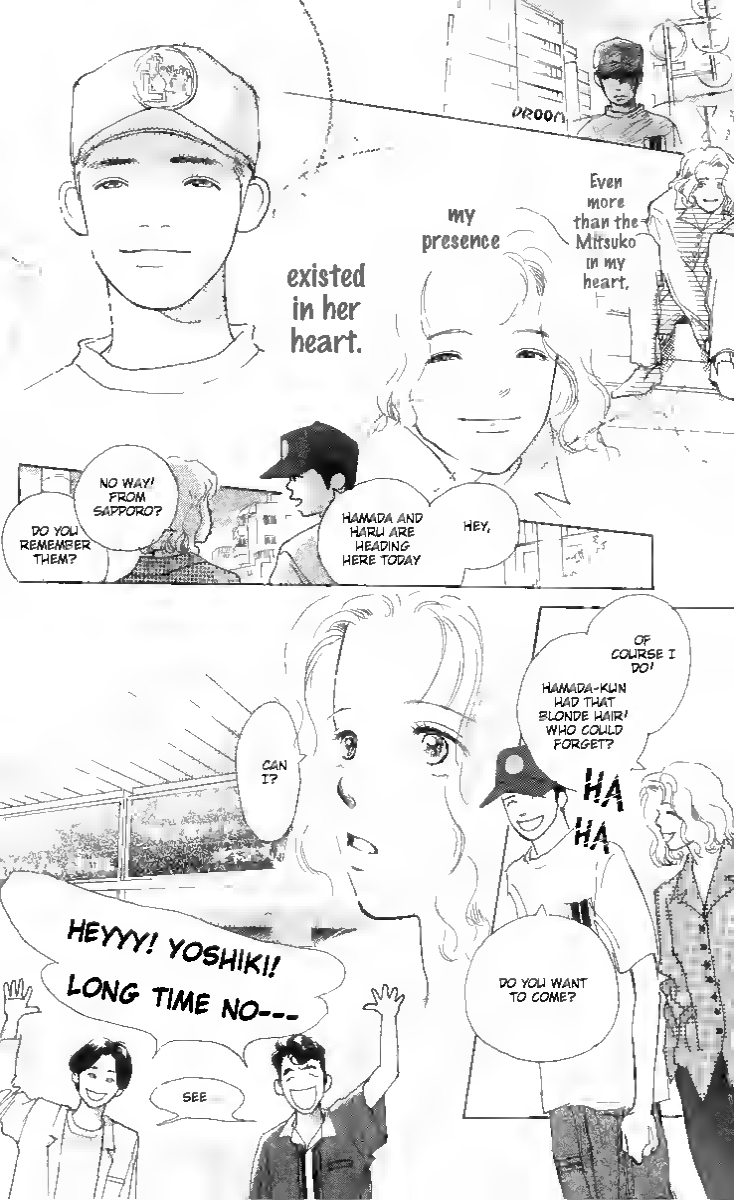
It's always been like this.
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
OH, YOU'RE STILL HERE?
AH, HEY
SOMEONE CALLED YOU JUST NOW---
I HAVEN'T GOTTEN MUCH SLEEP LATELY
WELL, THANKS
IS SHE YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
IT SOUNDED LIKE A GIRL YOUR AGE
YOUR EYES ARE RED
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
DASHES

NO THAT'S OKAY. I WANT TO COME
OH, NO THAT'S OKAY YOU WERE SLEEPING, WEREN'T YOU?
MIZUTANI-KUN?
YEAH
OH, SOR--
RING
DID YOU HAPPEN TO CALL ME?
I'LL COME RIGHT NOW. WHERE ARE YOU?
YEAH
hon
kkk
I was always crazy about...
SMILE
SORRY
HUH?
NOTHING
WHAT'S UP?
NOTHING
I SHOULD ASK YOU THE SAME QUESTION-- YOUR VOICE IS ALL HOARSE
WHAT WERE YOU UP TO?
OH
EDITING---
CHUCKLES

CHUCKLES
I GUESS THAT'S BETTER THAN FORGETTING TO PUT A SPONSOR'S NAME
AHA HA HA
YOU SEE, I FORGOT TO PUT THE PRODUCER'S NAME IN THE CREDITS---
!
Please don't stare at me too much
I
I DON'T KNOW HOW
I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER BACK
HUH?
I WAS ABLE TO FORGET ABOUT YOU

TO WHAT IT WAS LIKE WORKING ...
WHEN YOU WERE A FORGOTTEN MEMORY ...

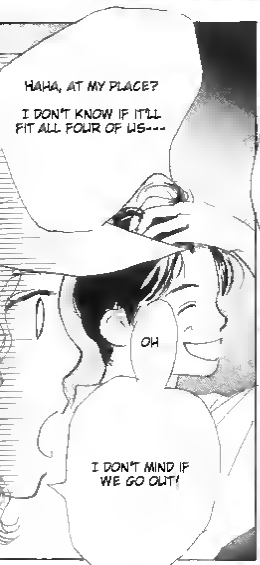
SHE'S SUFFERING FROM AUTONOMIC IMBALANCE
SHE'S USUALLY FINE, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO WORK, SHE CAN'T STOP THE WAVE OF NAUSEA FROM OVERCOMING HER
Me?
I'LL GET HER TO TAKE SOME TIME OFF.
BUT PLEASE DON'T FORGET
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT IT IF SHE'S SAYING SHE NEEDS YOU.
SHE ALWAYS WAS A GIRL WHO THOUGHT TOO MUCH ABOUT THINGS...
IT'S HARD TO SAY
BUT I THINK SOMETHING INSIDE HER SNAPPED WHEN SHE MET YOU
I'M SAD TO HAVE TO DO THIS
BUT---
Me?
SHE'S NOT SOMEONE WHOSE LIFE STOPS HERE.


existed in her heart.
my presence
Even more than the Mitsuko in my heart,
DROOM
HEY,
HAMADA AND HARU ARE HEADING HERE TODAY
NO WAY! FROM SAPPORO?
DO YOU REMEMBER THEM?
OF COURSE I DO!
HAMADA-KUN HAD THAT BLONDE HAIR! WHO COULD FORGET?
HA HA
DO YOU WANT TO COME?
CAN I?
HEYYY! YOSHIKI! LONG TIME NO---
SEE

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU!
HUH?
WHA
HELLO
FUJI-DERA-SAN
NO WAY
Please give me your autograph!
Hmm?
ARE THOSE THE KIND OF WORDS YOU'D SAY TO FRIENDS YOU HAVEN'T SEEN IN TWO YEARS...?
COLD MUCH?
WHA?
HEY, WHY'D YOU COME HERE ANYWAY?
NO WHERE REALLY
MUSE
WHERE DID YOU PLAN ON GOING TODAY?
I didn't realize our friendship had weakened so!
SLURPP
YOU KNOW, I USED UP MY PRECIOUS TIME OFF AND CUT BACK MY BEAUTY SLEEP TO MEET UP WITH YOU GUYS...!
I'M SURPRISED YOU'RE ABLE TO DO THE JOB THAT YOU DO SEEING AS HOW LAZY YOU ARE
DON'T YOU THINK SO TOO, MITSUKO-SAN?
I can't just see him wasting up!
Oh, so you're saying you saw me mess up?
Weren't you listening? I said I can't just see you
Listen to what people are saying!

MAYBE IT'S JUST A LOOK ALIKE?
HUH? NO WAY?
HEY, ISN'T THAT
Maybe we should ask from last night? Yeah, that one!
Tomikawa Hanna
WHOA SHE'S SURROUNDED BY GUYS
SW
iSH
!

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?
I DUNNO ---


HAHA, AT MY PLACE?
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'LL FIT ALL FOUR OF US---
OH
I DON'T MIND IF WE GO OUT!

HEY---
HOW ABOUT WE DRINK AT YOUR PLACE?

HEY I NEVER REALIZED HOW BIG MY HEAD WAS UNTIL NOW
Whoaaa
SLIPS ON AND OFF

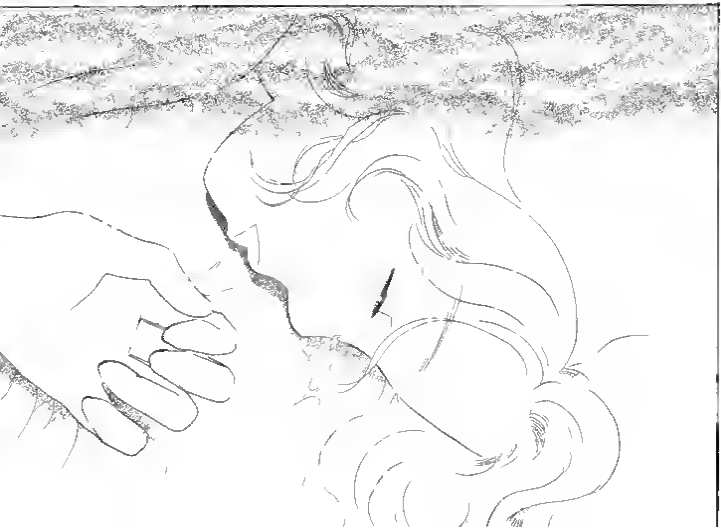
swish
LET'S GO!
I'M FINE!
NAH, THAT'S OKAY LET'S RELAX AT MY PLACE
I'll just them to buy the drinks
Woohoo!
clank clank clank
clank clank
WHAT?
HMM?
She's gone back
to the Mitsuko that I once knew.
I'M BACK!
Huh? Is someone in here?
Nah.
Yeah, I figured.
SNICKER

There aren't enough glasses!
Oh, I like that one!
I only have one for me!
Well whatever
I don't need one!
Hey, don't touch my stuff!
Oh so that
"ABSOLUT VODKA"?
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY DRINKING THIS STUFF?
OH, I CAN HOLD DOWN MY ALCOHOL
MITSUKO-SAN, ARE YOU REALLY OKAY HANGING OUT WITH US LIKE THIS?
ARE YOU GONNA BE ABLE TO WORK TOMORROW OKAY?
BESIDES, I DON'T HAVE ANY WORK
NO NEED TO WORRY.
She goes back...
HA HA HA
NO WAY!
OH,
HEY! I RAN INTO YOUR MA THE OTHER DAY!
SHE WAS PISSED
THAT YOU HAVEN'T CALLED!
AND SHE SAID YOU SHOULD VISIT!

AHA HA HA
THIS IS GREAT...
IT MAKES ME NOSTALGIC FOR SAPPORO...
Hm-mm, pretty out there, ya know?
Shut up,
Back when we were in high school
guess what she put in her lunch!
Steam-bun cakes!
Err-well she said I should eat it for dessert.
AHAHAHA
YOU REALLY HAVE BECOME BEAUTIFUL, YOU KNOW THAT?
MITSUKO-SAN...
What are you? Some pervy geezer?
AHA HA HA
Don't get all sentimental on us now, old man!
Well what

WEEE WEE
RATTLE
COUGH
COUGH
RATTLE
RATTLE
ROLLS
NN
N
SNIFF
ARE YOU REALLY
SNIFF
EXHALE
WHAT
GOING OUT WITH HER ?
SNOTE
AH
CAN I SAY SOMETHING?
SURE
HAPPENED WITH THAT?
YOU SAW ALL THAT STUFF THAT WAS BEING SAID ABOUT HER ON TV, RIGHT?
YEAH ?

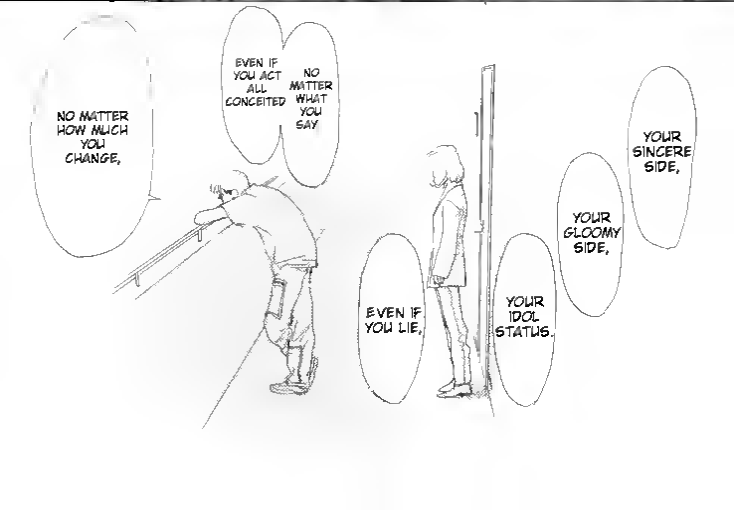
Being swept away by the crowd...



Back then---
.....
AHA
HA
HA
HA
HA
WEEE WHOO
WEE WHO
.....
"Ah"

"you surprised me"
CLATTER
THUD
"Ah"
"Are you okay?!"
"Aren't you going to go home?"
"Yeah, I was just about to"
AHA
"What about you, Fujimdera?"
"Are you here for your club?"
"I saw you"
CREAK
"You were "town girl C," right?"
"perform at last year's school festival"

THEY'RE
ALL YOU.


NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU CHANGE,
EVEN IF YOU ACT ALL CONCEITED
NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY
EVEN IF YOU LIE,
YOUR IDOL STATUS,
YOUR GLOOMY SIDE,
YOUR SINCERE SIDE,

THEY'RE ALLLL YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU MUMBLING ABOUT?
YOU'RE AN ACTRESS, AREN'T YOU?
YOU'RE AMAZING, YOU KNOW THAT?
YOU CAN BECOME ANYTHING!
BEING AN ACTRESS IS IN YOUR BLOOD!
SEE?
YOU'RE FRIGGIN' AWESOME ---

AHA
HA
HH
Mitsuko
WHA
LOUSY DRUNK
WAH
IDIOT

That'd be such a waste
You don't have to go back to the way you were
for you to go back
THUD
to the time when I was the only one that knew you
ALL RI—
LET'S BOTH TRY OUR HARDEST, ALL RIGHT?
...IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY.
YOU'LL MAKE IT
MIKOXE
CLASH

FLASH
I'M SORRY...
I'M GOING TO END UP CAUSING YOU TROUBLE AGAIN...
FLASH
NAH,
THAT'S OKAY...
FLASH
BUT I'LL BE FINE NOW...
IF MY CAREER ENDS OVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS
THEN THAT JUST MEANS I WASN'T MUCH OF AN ACTRESS ANYWAY
YEAH,
YOU'LL BE JUST FINE
FLASH
CLICK
CLICK
NO WAY

WE'LL BE FINE...

COULD YOU STOP THE CAR?
OH!

THE INFAMOUS YOCCHANNN!
HONK HONK
No way! AHAHAHA
HOW'VE YOU BEEN?
PRETTY GOOD!
WELL YOU'VE GOTTEN MUCH MORE MANLY LATELY!
ARE YOU HEADING SOMEWHERE?
YEAH WE WERE THINKING OF
JUST WALKING AROUND A BIT
EHHE
OOH? DID YOU--

OH,
AND LOOK AT THIS!
WE JUST CAME FROM THE BOOKSTORE,
AND THIS PICTURE WAS SO CUTE
THAT I JUST HAD TO GET IT!
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
HUH?
OH?
LOOK!
FLAP

CHUCK
LES
AND---
THAT THIS IS HER FIRST STEP IN HER COMEBACK.
IT SAYS HERE
BUT
YEAH...
HONK
HONK
HONK
SHE LOOKS A LOT BETTER
IN THE FLESH.

Mom,

for New Year's,

I'll be bringing Mitsuko home with me.

<<The End>>

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Thank you!
Lat & Hira :)

Shuri
Hira
Lat
LAT: HEY GUYS... WE REALLY NEED STAFF
HIRA: WE KNOW THAT
SHURI: YOU SHOULD ASK PEOPLE
LAT: BUT GUYS... *WHINES* I HAVE. I CAN'T JUST MAKE PEOPLE JOIN.
SHURI & HIRA: THEN BEG THEM
LAT: LIKE THIS...
"PLEEAAASSSEEE JOIN PRS"

My dear B-F

Ugh... I'm pooped!

I can't believe I lasted 15 years!

I think this is pretty much the end of the road for me though.

God,

could ya grant me just one wish,

pretty please?

My dear B·F

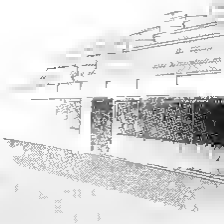
マイ ディア ボーイフレンド

I want to become friends with her---

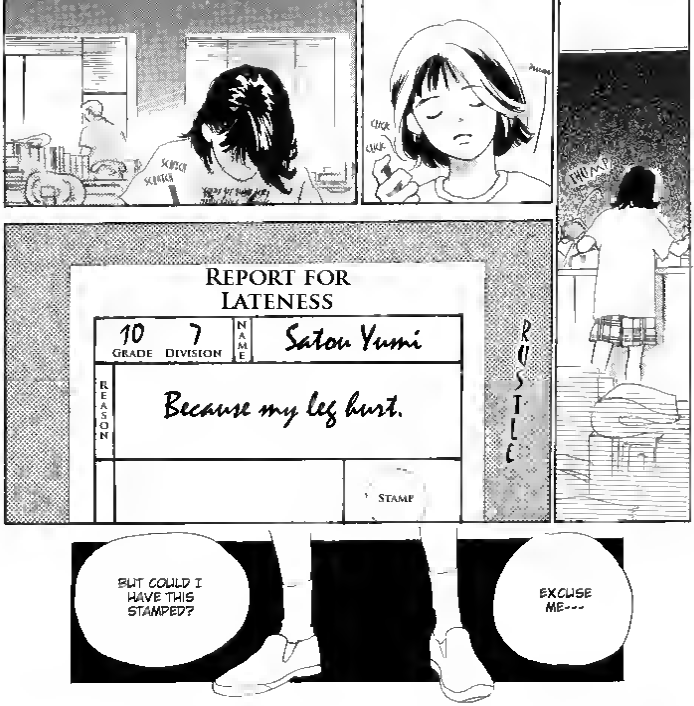
JUMBO
Melon

Now that I lost my
100m track dream,

----I



wished for a miracle



I'm 16 years old

I loved to run more than anything in this world.

YUMI!

AHAHAHA

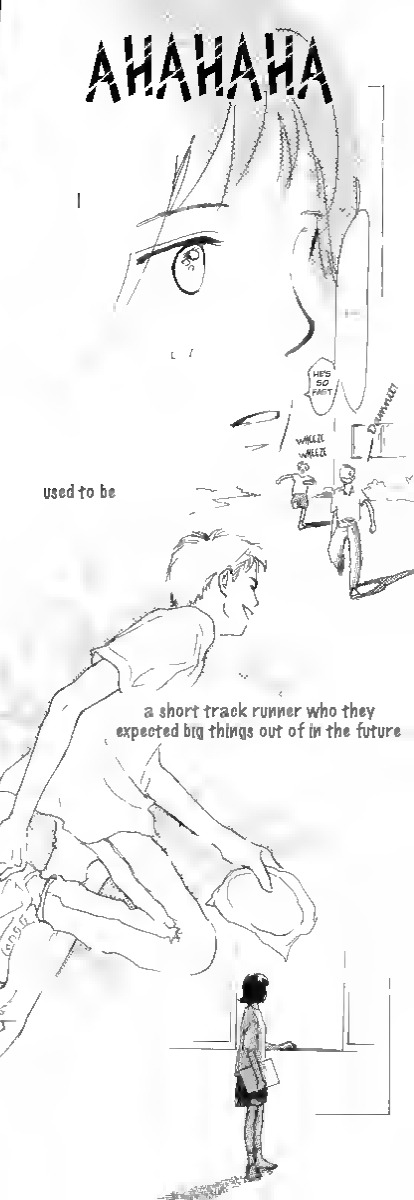
DIDYA HEAR?! TANABE-SENPAI BROKE UP WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND!
NO WAYYYY!
HEHEHE
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!
Go for it!
UGGHHH~~~ THERE'S NO HOPE FOR ME THOUGH HE DOESN'T EVEN LOOK AT ME IN THAT LIGHT!
SNICKERS
OH, REALLY?
YEAH, REALLY!
"TANABE-SENPAI," YOU MEAN THE GUY FROM TRACK-AND-FIELD?
RIGHT! HE'S THAT GUY THAT CAN RUN SUPER FAST!
Oh~
I'M SO GLAD THAT YOUR LEG GOT BETTER THOUGH, YUMI-CHAN!
NO ONE CAN TELL ANYMORE THAT YOU'VE BEEN IN AN ACCIDENT!
HEHE
WELL, I AM STILL DRAGGING MY LEG A BIT THOUGH

Up until three months ago
when I got into an accident,
I was right there alongside him
He's
someone I really look up to
YOU'VE GAINED WEIGHT, SATOU.
Senpai!
SENPAI,
FIGHT-O!
Nooo!
IS IT THAT OBVIOUS?
JUST NOW THOUGH, I THOUGHT A FEAST WAS HEADING MY WAY!
YEAH, BUT IT'S A GOOD THING YOU ALWAYS WERE TOO SKINNY.
AHAHAH
That's so mean!
WAVES

TAP
YOU TOO.
DUH
T
PIT
PAT
pit
pat
!
He's always so kind
and sweet
RUSTLE
JUMBO
Melon

....
AH!
AH!
AH...
WAH ...
What ?
What ?
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH
Hey! There he is--!
Get back here!
THUD THUD THUD
S---
SEE YA LATER!
EXCUSE ME?
THUD That's my melon bread! THUD
GIVE IT BACK!
AHA HA HA
.....

flushhhhhh
flushhhh—
WHAT'S WITH HER ANYWAY?
SHE'S SUDDENLY ALL OVER HIM EVER SINCE MEG AND HIM BROKE UP!
YOU SHOULD SAY SOMETHING!
YOU SHOULD SEE HOW SHE CALLS OUT TO HIM. IT'S DISGUSTING!
NOW THAT SHE CAN'T EVEN RUN ANYMORE
SHE'S NO BETTER THAN SOME WILD MONKEY!
AHAHA
That's so mean!


AHAHAHA
HE'S SO FAST
WALLE WALLE
DUMMKLEE
used to be
a short track runner who they expected big things out of in the future

RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
Melon
HEY!
OH!
AREN'T YOU GOING HOME YET?
I KNOW! YOU'RE SO HUNGRY THAT YOU CAN'T EVEN MOVE?

KAWWW
KAWWW
NOMM
I DON'T WANT MELON BREAD THOUGH...
I GUESS I'LL EAT IT THEN...
WELL THEN
T-T-there's
something a bit off about him
I better go
I never asked you for it...
WHYYY NOTTTP! I GOT IT FOR YOU!
WHO ARE YOU?
....A DOG.
NOTE

KYAAA
LET ME HOLD IT!
It's soooo cuteee!
hehe
IT'S A "POCHI," FOR SURE!
MY NAME IS YUMI-CHAN, LITTLE DOGGIE!
What a good boy you are! Healthy healthy!
Kya kya!
WILL YOU TAKE HIM?
SURE!
Er...
S-Shoot— why'd I say that?
WOOF
NUZZLES
CHUCKLES...

WHO ... ARE YOU ?
A DOG
DO YOU WANT ME TO HIT YOU?
"SHIMADA JIRO"
GIGGLES
JUST PLAIN OL' "JIRO"
LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING TO KNOW YA
"Jiro"---
YUMI-CHAN
I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
I'VE ADMIRED YOU FOR A LONG TIME.
MUSE
PLEASE SETTLE DOWN!
MUSE
this is something that God did
I'm sure
MUSE

AHAHAHA
because He felt sorry for me
NOISE
NOISE
THIS WILL BE THE LAST ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND TERM---
2-7
NO WAY!
WAY TO GO, YUMI!
NOISE
Well I'm not sure about that
IS HE IN GRADE 10? OOOH, SO YOU NABBED YOURSELF A YOUNGER BOYFRIEND!
Nice!
How do things jump to that?
HE'S NOT MY BOYFRIEND
I'm sure of it...
See ya!
OH, BUT I BET---
NOISE
NOISE
AHAHA
CREAK
CREAKK
OH!
HE'S SOMEONE WHO WATCHED YOU
RUNNING IN ONE OF THOSE SHORT TRACK MEETS!
CHUCKLES
GIGGLE GIGGLE...
CLATTER
TANABE-SENP---
dashes

"Now that she can't even run anymore--"
SLAM
FLINCH
_CHUCKLES
Ugh, isn't there anything fun to do in this world...?
You're no fun at all!
GIGGLES
GIGGLES
LET'S GO
OH!
HEY, YOU SKIPPED THAT ASSEMBLY, DIDN---
WHO'S RESPONSIBLE?!

AH...
AHAHA
WHO MADE YOU CRY?!
K--
KYAAA
AA!
NOO OOOO, DON'T----!

I HATE PEOPLE WHO RESORT TO VIOLENCE!
WHAT WERE YOU PLANNING ON DOING ANYWAY?!
EXCEPT JUST... DON'T. JUST DON'T, OKAY?!
UGH.... I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT TO SAY ...
I HATE them!
WHEEZE WHEEZE
VIOLENCE DOESN'T...
SOLVE...
ANYTHI...
Maybe...
I was a bit too harsh...
I'M SORRY
What is he whimpering for...?

Can you believe this guy ---?!

I SAID I'D DO ANYTHING! C'MON, I SAID I'D DO ANYTHING!
IS THERE? HUH, IS THERE?
IS THERE ANYTHING THAT I CAN DO FOR YOU?
I'D BE WILLING TO DO ANYTHING FOR YOU.
BUT YUMI-CHAN,
SHAKE
.....
Okay? Okay? Okay? Okay?
SHAKE
SHAKE
Ugh----be quiettt!
What is his problem..?!
Okay? Okay? Okay?
FINE. THEN COULD YOU GO AND BUY SOME DOG FOOD FOR POCHI
WITH ME---
YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND!
Huh?
I can't even see him anymore!
see ya later!
DASH
WOOF! WOOF!
WOOF WOOF
Whoa---

UGH, I SHOULDN'T BE DOING STUFF LIKE THIS AT MY AGE
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU RAN AT FULL SPEED!
I'LL CARRY IT
THAT'S OKAY
YOU'RE NOT THAT OLD
UGHH~ MY LUNGS ARE BURNING
WHEN YOU NEED SOMETHING IN A FLASH, JUST CALL ME OVER WITH A---
LIKE I SAID BEFORE, I'M A DOG!
REALLY FAST AT RUNNING
YOU'RE
DOG WHISTLE!

AHAHAHA

What a weirdo!

YOU ALWAYS PASSED MY HOUSE GOING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.
I'VE WATCHED YOU FOR A LONG TIME...
.....
MUNCH
MUNCH
MUNCH
POCHI
Oh, so it wasn't from a "track meet"...
!
RUMBLE
I guess I have no other choice!
I CAN MAKE SOME RICEBALLS AND EGG OMELETTE IF YOU WANT...
I...
ARE YOU HUNGRY?
GIGGLES
ERR... WELL, NOT REALLY. IT'S JUST THAT... POCHI SEEMS TO BE HAVING SUCH A GREAT TIME EATING HIS FOOD THAT...
MUNCH MUNCH
YOU STILL HAVEN'T HAD LUNCH?
WANT TO HAVE SOMETHING HERE?
REALLY?
NAH, I'M FINE WITH THIS
WHAT? ---?
SHIELLE
SHIELLE
BURP
Blink blink blink

Are we eating outside?
YAYYYY!
He looks so happy..!
CHUCKLES
WOOF WOOF
AHAHA, HE'S TOTALLY NOT LISTENING!
WOOF
WOOF
WOOF
WOOF
(Go away)
(Go away)
THIS ISN'T FOR YOU!
It's as if
he suddenly appeared in my life
to cheer me up
HEY
YEAH?
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO
TOMORROW?
Whaaaaat
Yaaaaay!
ROLL ROLL ROLL
AHA HA HA.
WOOF WOOF!

AHAHAHA
There he goes!
PANT
PANT
PANT
AH!
HE'S RUNNING TOWARDS THE WATER!
...he really is a ball of energy
MP
I'LL GO AND CATCH HIM----!
SPLASH
WHAT'RE YOU DOING GETTING WET YOURSE---
SPLASH
SPLASH
The light reflecting from the river
is so beautiful
Stop!
What are you doing!?
Noooo!
Ahaha
WAHAHA
They're so cute!
GIRLS
THEY'RE LAUGHING AT US, YOU KNOW!

.....
HEY?
YOU SAID SO YOURSELF, DIDN'T YOU?
PANT PANT
YOU SHOULDN'T BE RUNNING AROUND LIKE THAT AT YOUR AGE."
Wheeze
THUD
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
HEY, COME ON STOP FOOLING AROU---
UGH, I AM POOPED!
HANGING OUT WITH A KID'S EXHAUSTING!
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TOMORROW?
DON'T YA THINK?
KID

He's someone who stays with me despite the fact I can't run anymore

DASHES
I-
I WAS ALWAYS IN TRACK-AND-FIELD
AND I'D PUT MY BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS INTO THE 100M TRACK
BUT WHEN A CAR CRASHED INTO MY BICYCLE
MY LEG...
MY LEG...

uuu...
wahhhh----
That miracle
I've been wishing for so much
will probably never be granted
SQUEEZE
THAT MUST'VE BEEN TOUGH
Oww
ow ow ow
J--
JIRO--
KU
OWW
CLINK
T-THERE'S SOMETHING HARD THAT'S DIGGING INT--
BLINKS

chuckles
AH IT BROKE
The string I'm wearing
Shizuoka Japan
AHAHAHA
GRABS
THIS IS A GOOD LUCK CHARM THAT SOMEONE REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME
S-SHUT UP!
WHAT ARE YOU, STILL IN PRE-SCHOOL ?!
AHAHAHA
NO WAY! YOU'VE PRETTY MUCH GOT IT IN THE BAG THEN!
I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU, YUMI! INTRODUCE HIM TO ME NEXT TIME, WON'T YOU?
MADE FOR ME
JIRO-CHAN?
AHAHAHA
YOUR NOSE IS RUNNING
GIGGLES
Is he crying for me?
His eyes were red

From his white t-shirt,

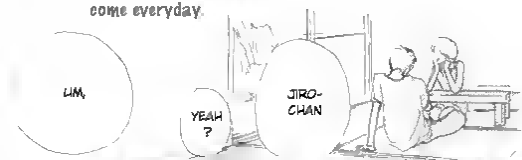
I can smell the scent of grass

and sunshine.

I wonder...
who this "important person" is?
FINISHED!
WOOF WOOF WOOF
HEYYY!
HEYYY!
AHAHAAH
WOOF
WOOF
WOOF
JUST KIDDING---
YOU'RE A LOT CUTER THAN THAT!
A MONKEY ?
Yumi
Don't let it inside because it's all muddy!
I KNOW, I KNOW!
C'MON IN!
YEAH?
Yumi---!
YAWWWWN

MILK'D BE GREAT...
HEHEHE
He's so cute!
WE HAVE COKE, ICE TEA, ICE COFFEE OH, AND SOME CALPIS WATER
DO YOU WANT SOMETHING TO DRINK?
HERE, I FIXED IT FOR YOU!
WOW! THANKS!
Yayyy!

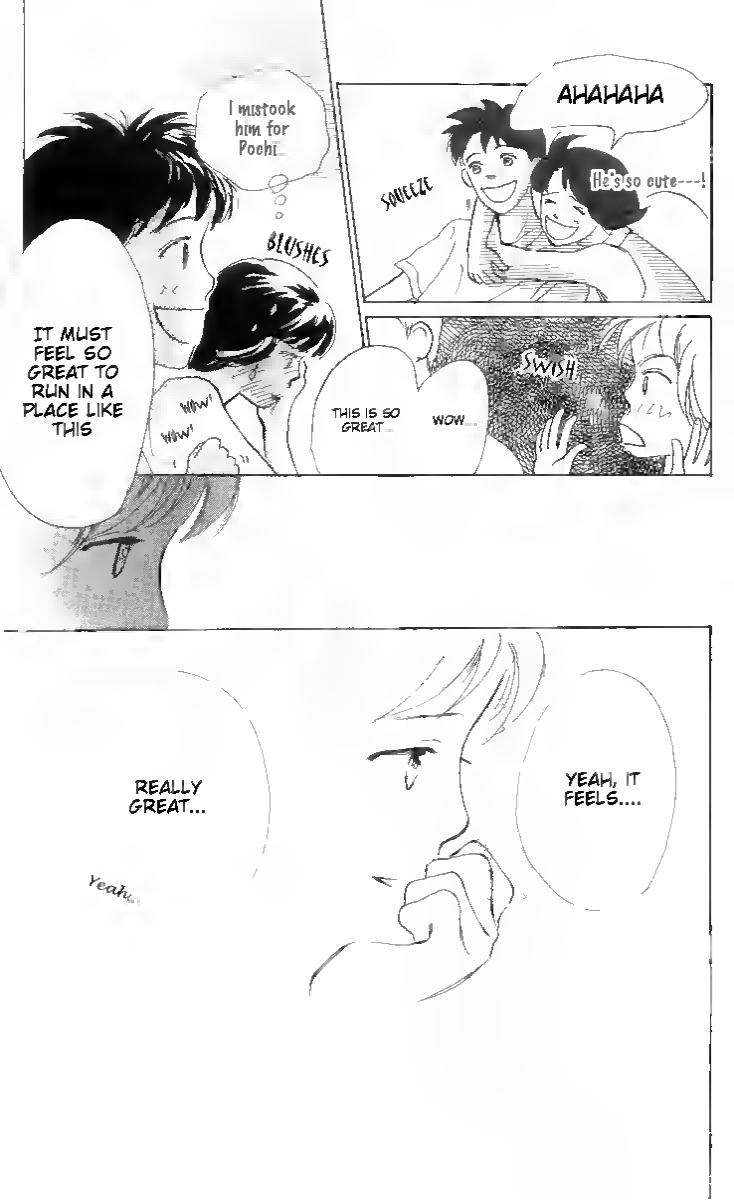
Like the postman, he never fails to come everyday.

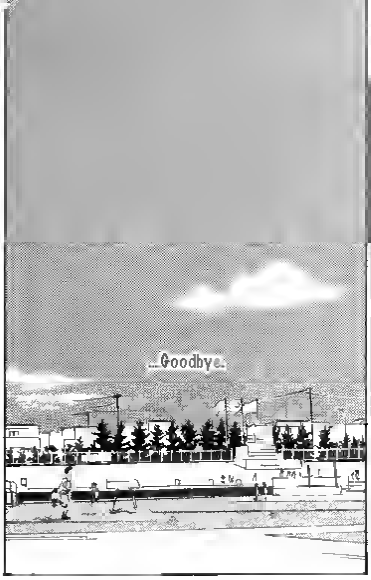


My---

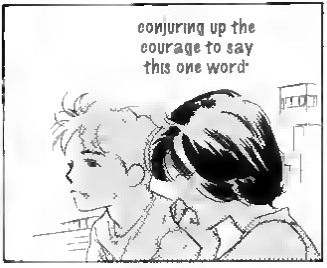
SENPAI'S GOING TO BE COMPETING TODAY...

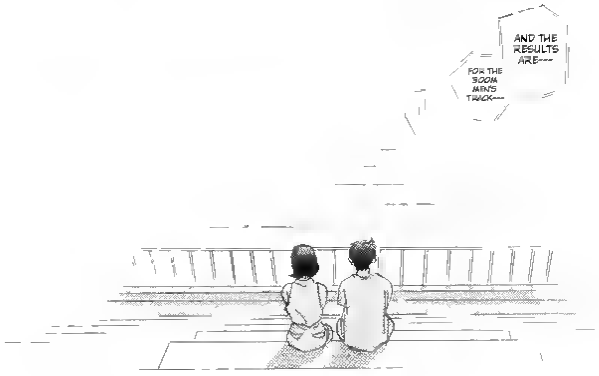
object of admiration---
WOWWWW
IT'S HUGGEE!
WOWWW...!
WOWW...!
JIRO-CHAN, IS YOUR TAIL WAVING RIGHT NOW?
This is so great!
YEAH!
YEAH!
IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME COMING TO A TRACK FIELD?
WHOAAA!
THIS IS AWESOME!
excited


I mistook him for Poehi...
BLUSHES
IT MUST FEEL SO GREAT TO RUN IN A PLACE LIKE THIS
WOW!
WOW!
AHAHAHA
SQUEEZE
He's so cute---!
SWISH
THIS IS SO GREAT...
WOW...
REALLY GREAT...
Yeah...
YEAH, IT FEELS....

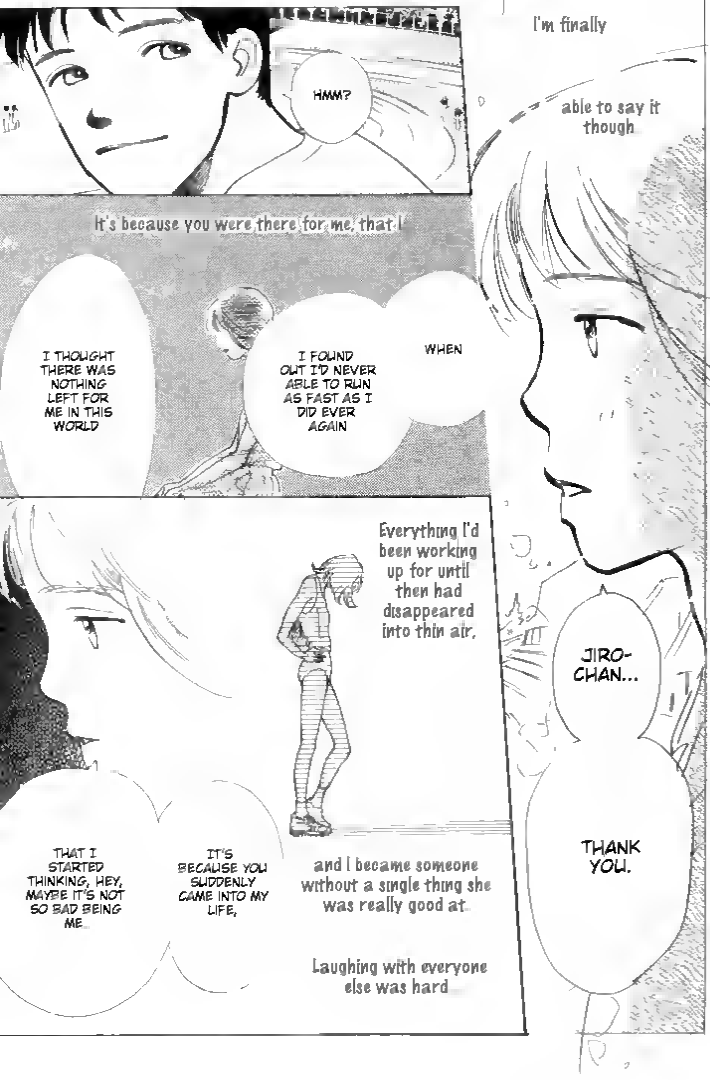

...Goodbye.

I had such a hard time


conjuring up the courage to say this one word


AND THE RESULTS ARE----
FOR THE 800M MEN'S TRACK----

"Goodbye"

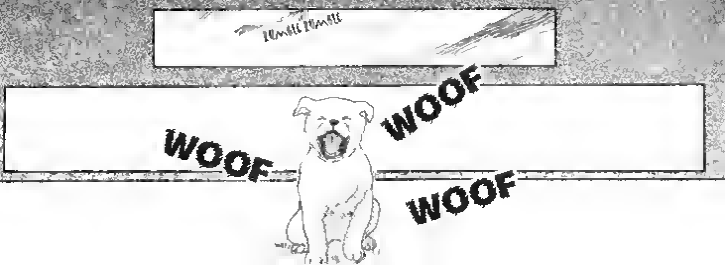

HMM?
I'm finally
able to say it
though
JIRO-CHAN...
THANK YOU.
It's because you were there for me, that I
I THOUGHT THERE WAS NOTHING LEFT FOR ME IN THIS WORLD
I FOUND OUT I'D NEVER ABLE TO RUN AS FAST AS I DID EVER AGAIN
WHEN
Everything I'd been working up for until then had disappeared into thin air,
and I became someone without a single thing she was really good at.
Laughing with everyone else was hard...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU SUDDENLY CAME INTO MY LIFE,
THAT I STARTED THINKING, HEY, MAYBE IT'S NOT SO BAD BEING ME...

That's why
.....
I'M GLAD I WAS OF SOME USE TO YOU
TO BE OF USE TO HUMANS IS OUR HAPPINESS IN THE WORLD! ♡
HEY, I'M BEING SERIOUS HERE!
That's why
HUH?
from now on
AHAHA
HEYYY
forever
HE'S SO CUTE!

Kya
Kya
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
flinch
EH—?
W-WHAT?
ALL I DID WAS PET HIM...
JEEZ, UPTIGHT MUCH?
C'MON, LET'S GO
...!
WHAT'S HER PROBLEM?
WHAT A BITCH!
I'D HATE TO HAVE AN OWNER LIKE THAT!
I FEEL SORRY FOR THAT DOG...

Do miracles...

show themselves in this kind of form...?!



YOU LET HIM IN THE OTHER DAY WHILE HE WAS STILL MUDDY, DIDN'T YOU?
SWISH
YUMI, MAKE SURE TO WIPE DOWN HIS LEGS!
The room was tracked with muddy paw prints!
WOOF
YOU DIDN'T COME IN THE OTHER DAY, DID YOU, POCHI?
Who drank the milk, wasn't he?
Jiro-chan was the one
See?
SWISH
WHINE?
WHINE?

Even on a rainy day like this,
he braves the rain to come see me!
RATTLE
C'MON IN! HURRY!
SPLASH
JIRO-CHAN!
YOU
SPLASH
SPLASH
HAD THIS REALLY STRANGE LOOK ON YOUR FACE EARLIER, AND I GOT WORRIED SO...
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
WELL... I'M ALL WET, SO HERE'S FINE

"15"
.....
"STRANGE LOOK"?
GRRR
Whoa!
YEAH, KINDA LIKE THAT!
HEHEHE
KYAA!
snakes—
It's so cold!
HAHAHA, MY BAD
cough COUGH HACK COUGH
WHAT KIND OF DOG ARE YOU ANYWAY?
GIGGLES
IN HUMAN YEARS LET'S SEE
THAT WOULD MAKE ME AROUND 80?
I'M PRACTICALLY A GRANDPA!
AND YOUR AGE?
-COUGH
MIXED BREED
A BROWN AND WHITE HAIRED

YOU LOOK HUMAN?
BUT TO ME,
GIGGLE
He's just playing a bad joke on me
YOU'RE A HUMAN...
splash
splash
YUMI-CHAN,
I REALLY AM A DOG.
HEHE
YOU REMEMBER HOW THOSE PEOPLE LAUGHED AT US THE TIME WE WENT TO THE RIVER?
THAT WAS BECAUSE YOU WERE PLAYING WITH US!
...THEN
YOU CAN'T RIDE THE TRAIN?
SPLASH
NO, I CAN'T
YOU CAN'T ENTER CAFES EITHER?
I'D PROBABLY SAY THAT'S A NO-GO TOO

YOU CAN STILL WATCH MOVIES ON TAPE THOUGH.
YEAH YOU'RE RIGHT. OH, AND EVEN THOUGH I WANT TO GO TO PLACES LIKE THE AMUSEMENT PARK, THEY WON'T LET ME IN
I CAN'T STAY AT HOT SPRING RESORTS, AND I CAN'T GO INTO THE POOL
WILL YOU JUST CUT IT OUT?!
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME A RIDICULOUS LIE LIKE THAT?
STOP KIDDING AROUND!
HOW COULD YOU BE SO CRUEL...
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU!
WHEEE
YU---
KYA...!
CLATTER
WHAT IF HE BITES YOU?!
YUMI, CLOSE THE WINDOW!

pourrrr
Yumi! It's dangerous!
NO WAY
It's all muddy. How disgusting!
I'M SORRY
BECAUSE ....
I'M A DOG, I...
SLAM

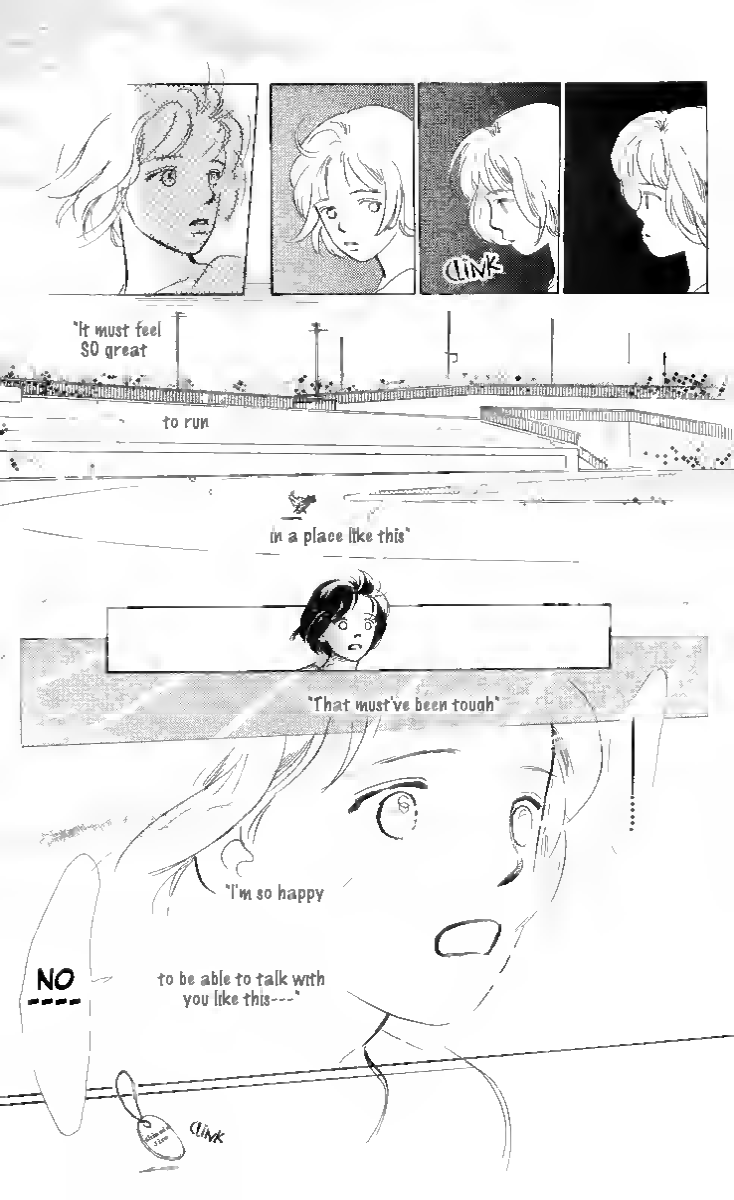
POUR
IT MUST BE A RUNAWAY
SINCE IT WAS A COLLAR ON
DID YOU KNOW? THE CAT NEXT DOOR WAS RIPPED APART BY A STRAY JUST THE OTHER DAY!
YOU JUST CAN'T TELL
WHEN AN ABANDONED DOG WILL TURN VIOLENT ...
There, there.
Wimp!
Wimp!

CHIRP
CHIRP
"Because...
I'm a dog, L."
CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE HERE.

AND I STILL HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT WHY EVERYONE SEES YOU AS A DOG.
I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS ALL NIGHT,
TO ME, YOU'RE JUST JIRO-CHAN.
LICKS
THAT'S WHY I THINK
WHAT'S IMPORTANT
See? You're so warm
BUT THAT WHO YOU SEE IS ME ALONE
IS NOT WHETHER I SEE YOU AS A DOG OR A HUMAN

I don't care
if I become
a crazy girl
who talks, kisses,
laughs with, gets mad at,
and cries to
a dog.
...I'M SO HAPPY
TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT, YUMI-CHAN,

BUT I'VE JUST ABOUT RUN OUT OF TIME.
God...
YUMI-CHAN,
DON'T GIVE UP,
BECAUSE YOU HAVE A GREAT FUTURE AHEAD OF YOU.
COMPARED TO SOMEONE LIKE ME,
YOU'VE ---
GOODBYE...
THIS IS THE END OF THE ROAD FOR ME.


CLINK
"It must feel SO great
to run
in a place like this"
"That must've been tough"
"I'm so happy
to be able to talk with you like this---"
NO

CLINK

N..o....
NOO
The summer----
ended...

"This is the end of the road for me."
N---
OOOO!!!

DINNGG
DONNNG
DINNGG
DONNGG
AHAHAHA
kya kya
REPORT FOR LATENESS
11 GRADE
7 DIVISION
NAME
Satou Yumi
REASON
Because I saw an eidolon
STAMP
GYAP
NOISE NOISE
WHISPER
I feel so bad for her!
THAT GUY IN GRADE 10?
SO IT DIDN'T WORK OUT WITH
OH
THAT'S THE THING---- SHE HASN'T TOLD ME
SO? WHY'D THEY BREAK UP?
And did you see how she got a haircut?
SO I THOUGHT EVERYTHING WAS GOING JUST FINE
IT SOUNDED LIKE THINGS WERE GOING GREAT WITH HIM FROM WHAT I HEARD ON THE PHONE
BUT WE SHOULD TRY OUR BEST TO CHEER HER UP

RATTLE
Sure! See? What'd I tell you? She's haunting!
Do you see how horrible's are dropped ever?
Poor girl! Why does Yuuki always get the short end of the stick in life.
clatter
flinch
YU--MI-CHANNNNN!
WOULD YOU LIKE A MELON BREAD?
RUSTLE
SATOU!
SENPAI
HERE, YOU SHOULD HAVE THIS
FLIP
MELON
THANK YOU!
DON'T TELL ME---IT'S THE SUMMER HEAT THAT DID THAT TO YA?
I CAN'T BELIVE YOU! YOU LOST WEIGHT AGAIN?
Want up to beat you up or what?

"That's my mother's bracelet GIVE IT BACK!"
The dog
was running as fast as his legs would take him
"Get back here!"
"Ahahahaha"
"Don't give up"
I won't
Hahaha
Hahaha, talk about hands!
I never believe you said that!

did he really?
then he
Aahhaa, yeah and
AHA
HA
HA
HA
SNICKERS
He's such a retard!!
AHAHAHA
SNICKERS
Yeah!
And then he
SUP?
HEY?

UM....
THIS IS PROBABLY GOING TO SOUND REALLY WEIRD---
BUT MY DOG
DIED DURING SUMMER BREAK.
I ♥ PET

AND LIKE, PLAYING BY THE RIVER...
O-OF EATING RICE BALLS WITH YU--I MEAN, YOU,
AND WHILE HE WAS GONE, I HAD ALL THESE STRANGE DREAMS...
HE'D RUN AWAY FROM HOME FOR A WHILE RIGHT BEFORE HE DIED,
IT WAS REALLY REALLY WEIRD...
AND STRANGE
and stuff
clink
DO YOU KNOW ME?!
Yooo..
What are you talking about?
K-K-KAZUYA?!
W What the..?
Did he get broken?
SHIMADA!
Shimada-kuuunnnn?
Shimada Jiro
YOU'RE...
JIRO-CHAN'S "IMPORTANT PERSON"

Well----

I am a dog, afterall.

JIRO

I never once thought

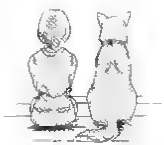
of what my face actually looked like

Hahahaa

Huh----

God,

you really are a miracle worker, you know that?



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Hira
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LAT: HEY GUYS... WE REALLY NEED STAFF
HIRA: WE KNOW THAT
SHURI: YOU SHOULD ASK PEOPLE
LAT: BUT GUYS... *WHINES* I HAVE. I CAN'T JUST MAKE PEOPLE JOIN.
SHURI & HIRA: THEN BEG THEM
LAT: LIKE THIS...
"PLEEAAASSSEEE JOIN PRS"